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CAKE SALE: Left to right, Pupils Ellie-Mae, Devon, Isabelle, Emily, Sammi and Charlie with some of their cakes

Pupils find a sweet way to raise money

YOUNG entrepreneurs in Harlow have been raising money for charity.

Pupils at Churchgate Primary School, in Hobbs Cross Road, have been given £1 each which they can choose to invest separately or together with the aim of making the money grow.

The initiative, called Quids4Kids, was launched earlier this month by the team behind local charity Kisses4Kids. So far the youngsters have held a cake sale to boost funds.

Sara Evans, of Kisses4Kids, said: "We've been supported by the headteacher Jonathan Tye and his deputy, Sarah Huke, who have agreed to trial the scheme school-wide."

Kisses4Kids helps children suffering with long-term illness by supporting their families and sending them on trips.

SHOPPERS UPSET AS M&S TO SHUT STORE

Harlow will lose its 'cornerstone' after retailer's last day on Saturday

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HARLOW'S town centre will lose one of its major retailers this weekend when Marks & Spencer pulls down the shutters for the last time on Saturday.

The store in Broad Walk has occupied a prominent position in the heart of the town centre for more than 40 years but is being axed because, according to company bosses, it is no longer viable.

After months of speculation, its fate was sealed when M&S was refused permission by

Harlow Council to open a Simply Food outlet in a vacant unit at the Queensgate Centre off Edinburgh Way.

Jobs

Staff at the Harlow store have been offered alternative jobs in nearby M&S branches in Epping, Bishop's Stortford and Stansted.

This week a Marks & Spencer spokesman told the *Star*: "The decision to close the store is not one we have taken lightly and it was only made after much consideration."

"We hope that customers will continue to shop at nearby stores and on our website."

The decision to close the store has upset shoppers. Harlow resident Bridget Hayden, 58, said: "M&S is the high point of the town, it's Harlow's cornerstone."

Town MP Robert Halfon said he was disappointed and accused councillors of making the wrong decision by rejecting the planning application.

"I did everything I could in meetings with Marks & Spencer and in talking to the council to persuade them to allow planning permission to open up in Edinburgh Way," he said.



PROMINENT: Marks & Spencer has had a store in Broad Walk, Harlow, for 40 years

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County Hall pays out £156,000 for pothole damages

Council had second highest number of claims in UK

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ESSEX County Council paid out compensation totalling more than £156,000 to motorists whose vehicles were damaged by potholes during 2013/14.

According to the RAC, 2,548 claims were made against the council – the second highest in the country. Most were rejected, with only 98 (3.8 per cent) claimants successfully receiving payouts.

Professor Stephen Glaister, director of the RAC Foundation which made Freedom of Information requests to 153 local authorities across the country, said: "These figures are likely to be the tip of the iceberg."

Fundamental

"Many drivers will be put off by the time involved in claiming against a council, and many councils do their best to deter claimants coming forward. But the fundamental problem lies not at the doors of our town halls but with central government."

The highest amount of claims made in the UK was in Surrey, with 3,912 during the same period.

Essex County Council said it had repaired nearly 7,000 potholes and defects in the past three months.

County councillor Eddie Johnson, who represents the Harlow South East division at County Hall and serves as cabinet member for maintenance



and small schemes, said: "It is good to be making headway into repairing the county's roads."

"At this time of year wintry weather conditions take their toll, but we are constantly monitoring conditions, as well as taking into account reports from the public via our online reporting tool."

In December the Government announced that it would be giving a record £128m to repair potholes and improve local roads in Essex over the next six years.

It is the first time councils have been given locked-in funding over this length

of time, which will help them plan ahead and save money for the taxpayer.

In Essex, the county council will receive £24,575,000 next year which will reduce to £19,774,000 in the financial year 2020/21.

Transport Secretary Patrick McLoughlin said: "Roads play a significant part in everyday life."

"Poorly maintained local roads, blighted by potholes, are a menace to all road users, particularly during the festive period as people travel to see family and friends. It is vital we have good quality roads."

Police seek a new home for pup with hip problem



A POLICE puppy lined up for a career in the force is looking for a new home after a disability ruled it out of active service.

Seven-month-old German Shepherd, Turbo, is unable to work as an operational police dog because of a problem with a hip joint.

He can now look forward to life as a family pet.

Dog trainer PC Terry Collinson said: "We are very sad to be losing Turbo but have been advised by a vet that he is unable to work as a general purpose police dog because his right hip socket hasn't formed properly."

"We have spoken to the vet at great length and there is no reason that Turbo can't lead a full and happy life as a pet with regular but sensible exercise."

Turbo was one of a litter of four pups born at the dog unit in June last year. He is currently receiving hydrotherapy treatment to help strengthen the muscle around his hip but is not expected to require long-term medication.

PC Collinson added: "Turbo is a lovely dog and staff at the unit have become very fond of him. He's happy around people and good with other dogs. Everyone at the kennels will miss him and but we are keen to find him a loving home so he can lead the best life possible."

Anyone who would like to offer Turbo a home should contact PC Collinson on (01245) 223616 or 07976 065962.

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Cyclist suffers spinal injuries in hit-and-run

A CYCLIST who suffered a spinal injury in a hit-and-run accident managed to walk to hospital for treatment.

The man, who is in his 20s, was pushing his bicycle across Southern Way between 5.30-5.50am on Monday, January 12 when he was struck by a black vehicle. He was knocked over but the driver of the vehicle failed to stop.

The cyclist managed to get to Princess Alexandra Hospital where he received treatment for a bruised spinal cord and vertebrae, but was then referred to Queens Hospital in London due to the severity of his injuries.

It was only 10 days later that he was able to report the incident to police, who are now appealing for witnesses.

Investigating officer PC Ivor Stephenson said: "The only description we have of the vehicle is that it is black. We have no description of the driver or the direction the vehicle was travelling in."

"The exact location of the collision is not known but it happened somewhere between Abercrombie Way and Tillwicks Road."

Anyone with information about what happened is asked to call PC Stephenson at Harlow on the non-emergency 101 number.

Gasworks hold up roadworks

ROADWORKS at the Clock Tower roundabout on the A414 at Harlow are running three months behind schedule and are not now expected to be completed until the early spring.

The hold-up, slammed as "unacceptable" by Essex County Council's cabinet member for highways maintenance and small schemes Eddie Johnson, has been blamed on gasworks being carried out by National Grid.

"National Grid has failed to deliver on the service they promised to deliver which is disappointing," said Cllr Johnson.

"Despite writing to National Grid and securing support from Essex MPs requesting further co-operation from National Grid, we are still experiencing several weeks delay."

Town remembers Holocaust victims

Events take place to mark world memorial day



SOLENN: Left, the ceremony at Netteswellbury Farm Garden. Right, Robert Halfon with students Anna Winter and Wai

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THE horrors of the Holocaust were remembered on Tuesday to mark the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz concentration camp.

Services were held across the town on Holocaust Memorial Day to remember victims of the Nazi atrocities and those who survived.

Harlow MP Robert Halfon joined students and religious leaders for a service at Harlow College during which a new memorial decorated by the artwork of third year college students Anna Winter and Wai Yen, both 18, was officially unveiled.

Rabbi Iri Shillor, the leader of Harlow's Jewish community, gave a short reading before Mr Halfon, who was born into a Jewish family, spoke about

the importance of forgiveness.

"Today shows the best of our town and that we care deeply about our own people," Mr Halfon said.

The college offers students the opportunity to visit Auschwitz concentration camp where more than one million men, women and children lost their lives.

Educating

A college spokesman said: "The college is really supportive of educating young people about these issues and about how they can make a real difference."

Earlier in the day a cherry tree was planted in the Netteswellbury Farm Garden by Labour parliamentary candidate Suzy Stride and Harlow councillor Mark Wilkinson.

"Holocaust Memorial Day is a day

when people come together across the country to learn the lessons of the past," said Ms Stride.

"Today people across Harlow pause to remember the millions who were murdered or had their lives scarred by genocide, whether it be the Holocaust, Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur."

"Honouring the memory of those who died and hearing the testimony of survivors re-affirms the resolve of the many against intolerance and discrimination, wherever it is."

On Sunday a service of remembrance was held at Harlow Synagogue during which those present heard an account from someone who witnessed the round up of Jews in Vienna.

Among those present was Harlow TUC secretary David Forman, who said afterwards: "Everyone needs to remember the lessons of history or we are sure to repeat past atrocities."

Arriva heralds its return with additions to fleet

BUS company Arriva is reviving its name in Harlow with the introduction of a fleet of six modern vehicles on routes between the town centre and Staple Tye.

Previously run under the Network Harlow brand, Arriva's services in the town are earmarked for an ongoing series of improvements.

These will start with the replacement of older vehicles on Services 2 and 3 which run every six minutes during the main part of the day from Monday to Friday.

A new app will also enable passengers to use smart phones and tablets to track buses on a live map

which displays them moving along their routes in real time to show if they are on time.

It also provides a link to a mobile ticket facility allowing customers to buy day, weekly and monthly tickets via their phone. The ticket can be displayed on the phone each time they board the bus.

Arriva regional publicity manager Richard Lewis said: "The reintroduction of the Arriva brand to Harlow is good news for our customers who can now benefit from the facilities that we have developed to make travelling easier through the use of the latest technology."

"It will take a while for the Arriva brand to be applied across the whole fleet but we have allocated six two-year-old buses to upgrade the Staple Tye services and we will roll out the Arriva livery to the rest of the Harlow fleet as time progresses."

One of the buses will be in Market Square between 10am and 2pm on Saturday, with company representatives on hand to demonstrate how the app works. There will also be a chance to win an iPad Mini.

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Bad news for silent majority

SIR Following last week's front page news regarding the proposed switch-on of overnight lighting, I have spoken to a number of my friends.

We are happy with the existing situation when the lights go off at midnight but object to paying extra council tax for them to be switched on again. Thanks to the noisy minority this looks as if it will happen.

The silent majority of us are in bed and asleep by midnight so do not have a need for the lights to be on. In addition, we feel this is our bit for the environment by reducing our carbon footprint.

Hopefully a number of my friends will be lobbying their respective councillors on this matter.

Raymond Curtis
Rosemount, Harlow

SIR I would like to say that I am in favour of street lights going off between midnight and 5am.

I would also like to add that I have never been asked about this or signed a petition or had a doorstep consultation or taken part in a survey, so the decision is not democratic in my opinion. If someone is going to make decision on my behalf I would like to be asked first.

Debbie Ramdass
address supplied

SIR Further to last week's story about raising council tax to pay for street lighting to be resumed, why does the council not consider LED lighting?

It offers many benefits over sodium lights and running costs are negligible. Also, it would be entitled to claim ECA against tax, thus making it cost neutral to replace the fittings.

I know this sounds too efficient, and that like any council, efficiency is a forgotten commodity, but Harlow Council could look at being pro-active and serving the needs of their residents rather than non tax paying freeloaders.

Martin Brown
address supplied

Farewell M&S, we'll miss you

SIR In the early 1960s I was part

READER PHOTO OF THE WEEK



■ This week's photo was sent in Alan Wheeldon, of Fennells, Harlow, who writes: "I recently went for an afternoon walk at Parndon Wood Nature Reserve when I came across a herd of deer. These majestic creatures made a beautiful sight. They stood still for a minute or two as two people passed by on horses and then scampered through a hedge into a neighbouring field."

■ If you have a photo which you would like to be featured in our Photo of the Week section, email a high resolution copy – along with a description of your photo and details of where and when it was taken – to star@hertsessexnews.co.uk. Please remember to include your name and address and insert 'Photo of the Week' in the subject line.

of a campaign of letter-writing and petitions asking Marks & Spencer to open a store in Harlow. We were successful in 1969.

Now, 46 years later, it is deserting its hundreds – or thousands – of local customers.

Since 1969 no improvements have been made to the store. Other branches at Bishop's Stortford, Welwyn Garden City and Cheshunt all have cafes, customer toilets, baby change facilities (no such facility in 'Pram Town') and better food areas. We even lost the popular first floor trading area.

M&S could have taken up one of the town centre sites recently offered for a food-only store but in stead it has turned its back on Harlow. Now some of us will turn our backs on M&S.

So, thanks to all the staff who served us over the years – we shall miss you and our store.

Ron Bill
Upper Park, Harlow

School shuts for elections

SIR As a parent of three children attending Tany's Dell School, I found out today that the school is to be closed on Thursday, February 12 for polling in a local by-election.

To say that I am fuming about this is an understatement, especially as I found out about it

from my polling card before I had been notified by the school.

That will be two days the school is closed for polling this year – two days of missed education for our children and, for those of us who work, two days of either having to take a holiday or pay for child care.

My children attend a childminder after school on a Thursday which would normally cost me £20, but for a full day it is £50.

The school has been closed for polling for a day every year since it merged with the integrated support services unit which used to be used for polling. This is unacceptable.

There is a church hall across the road from the school which would be just as appropriate.

Alternatively, the school should have to use these days as planned inset days instead of, in this instance closing the following day (February 13) as well.

Clare Burkett
address supplied

MP listens to constituents

SIR I am not a Conservative but I must support our MP Robert Halfon, who has proved his worth as being the one who has acted extremely well on behalf of Harlow residents in so many ways because he listens.

David Ives
Bishopsfield, Harlow

No MP will please everyone and most of us find it hard to trust politicians, especially those of higher rank. We remember they fail to keep promises when they hope we will just forget and move on. But that is not so.

I noted last year that the Essex Police and Crime Commissioner increased the police's proportion of the council tax by two per cent and now the Star informs us that he proposes a similar increase this coming year. So, quite rightly, our MP is asking him to justify his proposal.

Mr Halfon also finds the Chief Constable of Essex Police's approach to our problem with illegal Traveller encampments inconsistent.

He must know more than the general public regarding the legal side and he is one we can trust to continue fighting this ridiculous long-term problem that governments have so far failed to face up to.

Name and address supplied

SIR I have just got round to reading my copy of the winter edition of the Conservative produced Harlow Sun.

In the four pages that compose this newsletter our MP is referred to no less than 40 times.

The intention, I presume, is that readers should be in absolutely no doubt about out of where the Sun shines.

Play deserves a full house

SIR May I congratulate Harlow Playhouse on staging the play *Grounded* this week and hope it will be a full house. It is a pity it is only for one night and in the Studio with limited capacity but as many as possible should see it.

It is a far cry from the usual Playhouse fare and certainly not recommended for a jolly night out. But it throws light on an aspect of the ever-increasing automation of war; which is not often considered, namely the psychological effects on the operators of drones – remote-controlled killing machines.

Although the preview focuses on the fact that pilot is female and her pregnancy is a crucial factor; the wider issue of the isolation of the operator from the effects of their life-or-death decision is applicable to both sexes.

Of course, the effects both physical and psychological at the other end of the operation are not considered here – that is, possibly, for another play – but more importantly for serious debate about the whole policy towards these devices and the continuing inability of the human race to settle its differences without periodically slaughtering one another.

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In brief

Fatal crash suspect has bail extended

A WOMAN arrested on suspicion of causing death by dangerous driving after a fatal crash in which Harlow man Jon Aicken died had her bail extended this week.

The 25-year-old from Hatfield was arrested on suspicion of causing death by dangerous driving in connection with the accident on Christmas Eve.

The woman, who has not been named, was bailed until April 22.

Mr Aicken, 24, from Harlow, died in the collision on Tylers Road, Roydon. Known to his friends as Panda, his funeral will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium tomorrow (Friday).

Volunteers sought

VOLUNTEERS willing to give up some of their spare time during the school summer holidays are being sought to help with this year's summer reading challenge at libraries throughout Essex.

The volunteers, who must be over 14, will assist library staff signing up children and talk to them about their books as well as encouraging them to complete the challenge.

Volunteers should be able to commit to a minimum of 15 hours during the period running from July 11 to September 5. Application forms are available from all libraries or from www.essex.gov.uk/libraries. The closing date for applications is Friday, June 5.

Reinstate lorry ban

CALLS have been made for a ban on lorries overtaking on a stretch of the M11 north of Harlow to be reinstated.

Cllr Rodney Bass, Essex County Council's cabinet member for highways and transportation, also said lorries should be held to the nearside two lanes of the four-lane carriageways on the Essex stretch of the M25.

"We are disappointed and frustrated that people are being held up and the Essex economy is being damaged by incidents involving lorries and sheer bad driving for which there is no justification," he said.

"The overtaking ban on the M11 between junctions 8 and 9 should be immediately reinstated."

Refurb of lock gates

WORK has started on a major overhaul of the lock gates on the River Stort near Spellbrook.

The Canal and River Trust is spending more than £100,000 on removing and refurbishing the the four oak gates at Tednambury Lock.

During the five-week project they will be taken to a firm of experts in the west Midlands for restoration before being returned and re-installed.

Graham Smith, Canal & River Trust supervisor, said: "The lock gates have been in situ for over 20 years and need to be refurbished to prolong their life."

Front door damaged

THE door and frame of a house in Harlow were damaged during an attempted burglary.

Intruders tried to break into the property in Altham Grove between January 7-16. They were unsuccessful but in the process they damaged the door and door frame.

Anyone with any information should contact DC Jo Lanz at Harlow CID on 101.

Dance kids perform at film premiere

YOUNGSTERS from a performing arts school in Harlow got the chance to strut their stuff when they were invited to dance at a UK film premiere in London.

The children from the Kevin Adams Academy, based at Passmores Academy in Traces Road, entertained the audience at the first UK screening of the Dreamworks animation *Penguins of Madagascar* in Leicester Square.

Mr Adams, who gained celebrity status as a choreographer to the stars after appearing on the BBC series *Fame Academy*, said: "It's always a pleasure to be involved in premiere's but the icing on the cake is having all of my students on stage with me."

Long-serving ex-councillor 'did so much for the town'

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TRIBUTES have been paid to a former Labour councillor and community campaigner who has died at the age of 86.

Pauline Bruce, who worked as a teacher after moving to Harlow with her husband, Ron, in the 1960s, received a civic award in 2000 in recognition of her 25 years of service on the council.

This week Mr Bruce, 76, of Priory Court, Harlow, described his wife of 54 years as a popular figure who leaves behind a "legacy will be remembered".

The couple first met in the Middle East when Ron was serving with the Army and Pauline was teaching with the RAF. They moved to Harlow after they were married, settling in Monksbury.

"She was involved with so many things such as Women's Aid and she was an original member of Harlow Well Woman Centre," he said. "She also led a campaign to start a new sports centre and for Harlow Town FC to have a new stadium."

"She was a teacher at Holy Cross Primary School until her retirement in the mid-80s. She was a great teacher and many people have fond memories of her."

"A lot of people would come up to us in the street and say 'Hello, Mrs Bruce'. Although she didn't always remember them, they remembered her."

However, Mr Bruce said it was for her service as a councillor which she will be best remembered.

Her interest in the Labour Party began when the town's MP, Stan Newens, called at their home while canvassing for the 1972 general election. Soon after she began her own campaigning, drumming up support for the party which led to her being asked to stand as a



LEGACY: Pauline Bruce

councillor.

Although her school commitments prevented her from doing so at the time, she was elected in 1975 and went on to complete 25 years of service.

Mr Newens said: "Pauline was an extremely dedicated woman working for the people of Harlow. I was assisted by her in providing housing for the second generation in Church Langley."

"Both Pauline and her husband made considerable contributions to Harlow Labour Party and the town's people."

Mr Bruce added: "She has done a lot of good in the town but didn't want a fuss to be made," said Mr Bruce. "A lot of people in the town have benefited from what she has done."

The couple have two daughters, two grandsons and two great-granddaughters.

Mrs Bruce, who suffered from dementia, died in Princess Alexandra Hospital on January 13. Her funeral will be held at Parndon Wood Crematorium at 2.30pm on Monday.

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SECRET BALLOT: Which party will triumph in the Harlow seat when the votes are cast in May?

GENERAL ELECTION COUNTDOWN: There Profiling our local candidates with the national poll approaching fast...

Gemma Gardner

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TUESDAY marked the start of the countdown on the final 100 days to the general election, which is shaping up to be unlike any other in recent history.

Experts are uncertain not only about which party is likely to come out with most seats on May 7, but even about whether a viable coalition will be there to be formed.

The failure of either of the two big parties to establish any kind of a lead, the collapse of the Liberal Democrats vote share and the surge in support for Ukip, the Scottish National Party and the Greens have combined to make the 2015 poll less of a two-horse race to the winning line and more like a kind of random government generator.

The Harlow seat has been indicator for overall election result since 1983. Conservative Robert

Halfon won in 2010 with a swing of 5.9% from Labour, after unsuccessfully contesting the seat in both the 2001 and 2005 elections. In 2005 Harlow was one of the most marginal seats in the country, and was the last to declare.



Conservative

OVER the past four years Robert Halfon has run a number of high-profile campaigns, including his petrol promise movement, which called on the Government to lower fuel duty and cut petrol and

diesel costs.

So far, he has successfully convinced George Osborne to scrap or delay every planned fuel duty increase since this Government came to power and the Chancellor thanked him in the last budget.

Mr Halfon has also worked to increase and improve apprenticeship opportunities in the UK (he employed the first ever Parliamentary apprentice).

He said: "I will carry on working hard for Harlow; championing jobs and apprentices, campaigning for lower fuel bills, fighting for a strong NHS and supporting housing for Harlow people."

"It is good that jobs have come back to Harlow with unemployment halved, youth unemployment down by 56%, and double the number of apprenticeship starts. Moreover, petrol bills have reduced for hard working residents - with fuel duty frozen, fuel is 20p cheaper in tax terms than under Labour's plans."

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ELECTION 2015



Labour

SUZY Stride works in education and lives in Harlow, where she has been Labour's parliamentary candidate since 2011.

She was brought up in one of the most deprived areas of the country, Tower Hamlets.

Growing up in a family of four, her mother stacked shelves in Asda while her father worked in housing. Educated in the local state comprehensive, Suzy secured a place at Cambridge University, the only person in her year group to do so.

She now works as a youth and community worker.

In Harlow Suzy has been responsible for a number of campaigns including campaigning against the turning off of streetlights, cuts to youth services and better access to GP's surgeries.

She has run a series of events aimed at increasing residents' engagement in politics.

A keen footballer and sports fanatic, Suzy has championed greater female participation in sport particularly football.

She is a supporter of Tottenham Hotspur FC.

She said: "This election won't just be one of the closest in a generation, it will be one of the most important. The future of our NHS, better jobs, firm but fair immigration policies and how to make the economy work for working people will be at the forefront of this election campaign."

"I'm looking forward to the campaign and looking forward to

showing people that think politicians are all the same – that it is time for change, it is time to stand up for our NHS, new jobs and housing and to see a country that does not just defend the privileged few at the top but stands up for everyone"



Ukip

SAM Stopplecamp, 42, moved to Harlow around six years ago and if elected says his big issues would be protecting green belt land, control on immigration, the NHS,

and wasteful spending.

The father-of-four is the general manager of Harlow Community Transport and started his career as a HGV driver.

"I am now in transport management, my career has always been around driving," he said.

"I am not a career politician, and I know what it feels like to work as a working class person, I am not working class any more but I used to be."

"[Politics] takes someone that has the experience of asking themselves 'Am I going to make it this month?'"

He added: "I have walked along the streets and talked to Harlow residents. People do not like how the country is being run, they want something different and the only thing offering that is UKIP."

"We are not a racist party. We do not want to stop immigration entirely, we want it controlled. But to the people that say we are, I say carry on – sticks and stones – I know I can look in the mirror and say I am a fair person."



Green

MURRAY Sackwild is general secretary of Harlow and Epping Forest NUT, deputy general secretary of Essex NUT and until very recently, was a Harlow sec-

ondary school teacher – a position he had for 13 years.

Mr Sackwild said he was standing to give Harlow residents "a genuine choice".

"The Tories, Labour, Lib-Dems and, even Ukip are peddling the same free-market brand, with the short-sighted idea that profit can and should be made out of anything and everything," Mr Sackwild said.

"As a former teacher I know we have some great schools in Harlow but I am concerned that the town's education system has become fragmented and lacks local, public accountability."

"I want to see the likes of schools, hospitals and railways publicly-owned, publicly accountable and sustainably operated for the people and planet."

"For the sake of the future we need to protect our green spaces and we need to encourage greater use of public transport with fair pricing. I'm not standing to maximise the profit of a private few, but for the common good."

Result in 2010

Votes cast in Harlow in the 2010 general election

- Robert Halfon Conservative 19,691
- Bill Rammell Labour 14,766
- David White Liberal Democrat 5,990
- Eddy Butler British National Party 1,739
- John Croft UK Independence Party 1,591
- Oluyemi Adeeko Christian Party 101

■ 5.9 per cent swing from Labour to Conservative



FORCED TO STAND DOWN: Ukip councillor Jerry Crawford

By-election candidates announced

THE five candidates who will battle it out in next month's Mark Hall by-election in Harlow have been announced.

The by-election was called when Ukip councillor Jerry Crawford was forced to stand down due to ill health.

Standing are:

- Mark Gough (Ukip)
- Danny Purton (Labour)
- Lesley Rideout (Lib Dem)
- Murray Sackwild (Green)
- Jane Steer (Conservative)

■ Mr Crawford, who was elected to Harlow Council in May last year, stood down in December. The by-election will be held on **Thursday, February 12**

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The end of an era as M&S prepares to shut up shop

Final day of trading after more than 40 years in Harlow town centre

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UPMARKET department store John Lewis is the people's favourite to replace Marks & Spencer in Harlow town centre.

An online poll of *Star* readers put the retailer at the top of the table as the ideal choice replacement for the M&S store in Broad Walk, which close its doors for the last time on Saturday.

Receiving almost one-third of the votes cast, it finished ahead of Debenhams, an indoor market and House of Fraser.

A Waterstones bookshop and a Morrisons were other suggestions, while a rumour that fashion chain Forever 21 was eyeing up the site has been quashed by the company, which said this week it did not have "a confirmed store opening planned in Harlow" at present.

The M&S store has been a fixture of the town for more than four decades after opening in 1969.

But last year company bosses said it was no longer viable and submitted an application to open a Simply Food outlet at the Queensgate Centre off Edinburgh Way.

However, its hopes that the proposal would be looked on favourably were dashed by Harlow councillors who, determined to keep an M&S presence in the town centre by suggesting alternative

sites including the nearby Little Walk arcade, threw out the application.

A report to the council's development management committee warned a food store on an out-of-town retail park would take trade away from the town centre, adding: "It is considered that there are

the best for the future. I thank them for helping make M&S such a special place to shop.

"It's an incredibly sad day for Harlow that one of the most famous stores in Britain is leaving us" he said.

Labour parliamentary hopeful Suzy Stride said: "It's obviously very sad and disappointing to see Marks and Spencer leave Harlow having been in the town since the 1960s.

"However, I know there is much work ongoing to make sure that a suitable tenant is found for the site.

"It's important that the store is filled for town centre and that this move, rather than being the end of an era marks the beginning of a new chapter for the town centre."

Ian Hudson, chairman of Harlow and District Chamber of Commerce, said said: "It's sad to see M&S go after so many years. Let's hope we can attract some new retail outlets. Lower business rates would help."

Staff who worked at the shop were offered alternative jobs at M&S stores in Epping, Bishop's Stortford and Stansted.

Meanwhile, shoppers have been voicing their views on the closure. Barbara Aylett said she was very sad to see M&S leave the town but would welcome a Debenhams store as a replacement.

"I'm disappointed; the shop was always

Poll result

- John Lewis: 126 votes (33.51%)
 - Debenhams: 105 votes (27.93%)
 - Indoor market: 67 votes (17.82%)
 - House of Fraser: 21 votes (5.59%)
 - Other suggestions: 57 votes (15%)
- These included Waterstones, Morrisons, an indoor ice rink, SEGA arcade, Costco, a Nike store and Forever 21.

available, suitable and viable sequentially preferable alternative locations for development in Harlow town centre."

Harlow MP Robert Halfon, who met with representatives of the company and the company, branded the decision as short-sighted and accused councillors of "flushing the livelihoods of the workforce down the toilet".

This week he said: "My sympathy goes out to all the workers and I wish them all



FLASHBACK: Star, June 12, 2014

very good," she said. "I'll have to go to Bishop's Stortford now.

"I do not want a jewellers or a pound shop to replace it."

Charlotte Cooper said: "There's nowhere else like it; I'm not happy to see it close," while Annie Hopping added: "Harlow town is going to be dead. This is terrible news"

Your views on facebook

We asked our readers what they would like to see fill the space left vacant by M&S. Here are some of the responses:

Deborah Hill: "I think a Morrisons or Home Bargains, two brilliant shops that suit the majority of people in Harlow."

Mark Howlett: "What's wrong with having a quality shop in town? We've got enough cheap-end stores in the High Street, it would be nice to have something which might attract other decent chains to our beleaguered centre."

Alex Plumb: "Indoor market best option. No way would a Debenhams or a store of that nature opt to go in that building. The foundations are crumbling hence part of the reason why M&S no longer want it."

Charmaine Westall Dunham: "Anything but Poundlands and 99p stores. We have too many! Thinking indoor market too."

Charlotte Whelton: "I would like a Superdry"

Shannon Brace: "How about an indoor ice rink?"

Linda Bryant-Armstrong: "I would like a farm-food shop."

Hannah Warner: "I would like to keep M&S. It's a shame because the older generation love it."

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Top tweets

@BritishBC: "Waterstones or an Apple store. Failing that I'd like to see the return of Woolworths! We all loved that store!"

@mrneale: "Harlow losing a store like that! Ridiculous! Not the sign of a booming shopping centre. Last one out turn off the lights!"

@jbrad50Jan: "They shouldn't be closing. Our town centre's not going to be the same."

@danowen: "Should never have been leaving @ HarlowCouncil#stitchup"

@kev_g1: "I'd be gobsmacked if John Lewis came to Harlow. Seriously ain't the type of shoppers in the town for them"

@justin_adams1: "How about keep Marks & Spencer! Utter joke that the council have pushed them out of the town."

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CELEBRATIONS are in order for two Harlow primary schools who have achieved top academic accolades.

Tany's Dell and Holy Cross Catholic primary schools have both been honoured for their achievement in letters from schools minister David Laws.

Tany's Dell Primary in Mowbray Road, won £1,000 by gaining distinction in the 2015 Pupil Premium Awards for its outstanding progress with disadvantaged pupils since 2011.

Tribute

Headteacher Bernadette Miele, 52, paid tribute the school's ability to bring children from disadvantaged backgrounds into line with their peers.

She said: "Children from poorer backgrounds traditionally do not perform as well as those from affluent families, and the Government has given us money to see if we can change that."

"Our intervention programme has been key to help these children reach a higher level. Each child is given extra support and assistance and presented with a comprehensive homework pack."

"They have made fantastic progress all term," said Mrs Miele, who has been head teacher for six years, and seen the primary



TOP MARKS: Holy Cross Catholic Primary School's Key Stage 2 SAT results put it in the top ten schools in Essex

improve to from a 'satisfactory' to a 'good' Ofsted rating.

Meanwhile Holy Cross Catholic Primary in Traceys Road, has been honoured for its excellent Key Stage 2 SAT results.

It was named as one of the top ten schools in Essex and in the top 100 in the country.

A letter sent by Lib Dem MP Mr Laws praised the school's progress in helping an improved number of Year 6 students achieve

the benchmark Level Four grade in the end-of-year tests in reading, writing and mathematics.

"The success has not happened overnight, it's been something we've worked towards every year" said Holy Cross head Sue McGuigan. She added: "It's essential that everyone has worked together, teachers, children and parents, we have a very strong team. If a child ever needs support we get in there quick."

Life is sweet now we have lollipop man

PUPILS at a Harlow primary have a safer journey to school with the appointment of a new road crossing patrol officer.

Lollipop man Keith Baron started work last week, making sure children arriving at Pear Tree Mead School cross the busy Pear Tree Road in safety.

After 18 months without a patrol officer, head Christine Peden said she was "really pleased" that children could now cross without the risk of being involved in an accident.

"Parents were having to cross the road with their children and so it is much better to have



SAFE PASSAGE: From left, Joanne Sealey, Ben Sealey, 4, Cllr Ian Beckett, Head Christine Peden, and patrol officer Keith Baron

someone to do the patrol," she said. "It allows some of the older students to come to school by themselves."

Harlow Council chairman Ian Beckett, who welcomed Mr Baron when he started his new job last Monday, praised the

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■ **NAME:** Rowanna (member 1101)
 ■ **ADDRESS:** Broomfield, Harlow
 ■ **BIRTHDAY:** January 30, 2005
 ■ **SCHOOL:** Tany's Dell Primary
 ■ **LIKES:** Singing, dancing, listening to music
 ■ **DISLIKES:** Going to bed
 ■ **FAVOURITE FOOD:** Roast dinner

■ **LEAST FAVOURITE FOOD:** Mashed potato
 ■ **FAVOURITE BOOK:** Gangsta Granny by David Walliams
 ■ **FAVOURITE TV SHOW:** Victorious
 ■ **FAMILY:** Brothers Danny and Luke (both 9)
 ■ **WANTS TO BE:** A singer

THURSDAY

Dexter (member 1254), of Bushey Croft, Harlow, is 4.

FRIDAY

Rowanna (member 1101), of Broomfield, Harlow, **Ronan** (member 625), of Wedhey, Harlow, and **Callum** (member 1001), of Tilbury Mead, Harlow, are all 10. **Faye** (member 20137), of Tickenhall Drive, Harlow, is 8.

Happy Birthday

SATURDAY

Harry (member 20122), of Potters Street, Harlow, is 7.

SUNDAY

Lauren (member 1192), of Rushton Grove, Harlow, is 11. **Aaron** (member 1059), of Church Leys, Harlow, is 7.

MONDAY

Tegan-Rose (member 1025), of Mallows Green, Harlow, **Oliver** (member 786), of Bentley Drive, Harlow, and **Nathan** (member 822), of Mark Hall Moors, Harlow, are all 11.

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New director is 'honoured' to be at the helm of YCT

HARLOW-based charity YCT, a which provides children and young people with free confidential support and counselling, has appointed Lindsay Fox as its new director.

Lindsay said: "I already feel extremely honoured and proud to be at the helm of such an outstanding organisation."

"YCT makes such a difference to the lives of so many of our children and young people, and therefore their families and the local community."

"This is made possible by the great team of staff, counsellors and trustees, all of which have a tremendous ethos and work ethic."

YCT is an independent charity, established 27 years ago and initially focusing solely on the Harlow area.

The aim of YCT is to support children and young people through challenging and often difficult times so that they can feel hopeful about their futures.

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Can you spare time to help out charity?

Volunteers needed to help British Heart Foundation

Gemma Gardner

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THE search is on for volunteers to help support pioneering medical research by giving their time to the British Heart Foundation.

The charity, which will support National Heart Month in February, is looking for people to volunteer in its Terminus Street furniture store.

They are also looking for people to wear red on February 6 and raise money for its Wear It, Beat It campaign.

Assistant store manager Lee Piper said: "The BHF saves lives every day by funding ground breaking research, caring for heart patients and providing valuable education on health and lifestyle."

"But we can only do it with the help of people offering a little time to volunteer."

"February is National Heart Month and we are keen for volunteers to get involved."

"Volunteers are at the heart of the BHF's life-saving work. Their time and dedication helps save and improve the lives of those affected by heart disease."

There are various volunteer positions available at the store



MAKE A DIFFERENCE: Volunteers at British Heart Foundation with, front, assistant manager Lee Piper

including warehouse assistants, telephonists and sales assistants.

"There are lots of volunteer opportunities and we can talk to you about those which may interest you. Your time is really valuable to us and volunteering is a great way to meet people and gain valuable experience," said

Lee.

"Volunteering is simple and you only have to give the time you can afford - whether it's a regular day a week or just a few hours a year."

"Heart disease touches us all. Every day, the British Heart Foundation saves lives by invest-

ing in pioneering heart research, caring for patients and their families, campaigning for change and providing vital information to help people care for their own heart health."

For more information about volunteering visit bhf.org.uk or call 0300 4568353.

In brief

Swap shop event is hospice fundraiser

A CRAFTS store in Harlow is planning to banish the winter blues by hosting a charity swap shop on Saturday between 11am and 3pm.

Staff and customers of Hobbycraft at the Queensgate Centre colleagues will be exchanging their previously unloved items for something new for only a small donation.

Funds raised will go to local hospice Haven House Children's Hospice, which the store is supporting through Hobbycraft's national charity partner Together For Short Lives - the leading charity for the UK's 49 children's hospices.

Store manager Ian Rees said: "A new year is the ideal time to have a clear out of things you don't want or need anymore - so why not donate these to a really worthy cause? And who knows, you might discover something you really love in the process."

Thanks to volunteers

THE team behind Harlow's Christmas Haven have thanked the volunteers who supported them this year.

The Chocolate Run Committee is inviting all the volunteers who helped with the running of the Sunday night drop in and the Christmas Haven to a thank-you event which will be held at the GPCA in Abercrombie Way on Thursday, February 19 at 7pm.

A spokeswoman said: "It gives us the opportunity to thank all volunteers and also to share our individual experiences from taking part."

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VISITOR: MP Robert Halfon with staff at Chordal Green

MP visits specialist family-run joinery firm

HARLOW MP Robert Halfon visited family-run joinery specialist Chordal Green to find about its work.

The firm, in Matching Tye, has built up a reputation for fitting luxury residential and commercial interiors across the UK and abroad.

"Family businesses are the best sort," said Mr Halfon. "I am impressed this is such a family-orientated company.

"Good businesses don't just rely on their ability to manufacture, but on personal relationships."

Director Sally Rutty said: "Mr Halfon came to see us because he was intrigued that a small company in Matching Tye could be awarded a project to refurbish Ronnie Scott's and also be commissioned to design and make joinery for a large, modern house in Geneva."

Chordal Green was started seven years ago by managing director Mark Rutty, who owns and runs the business and has a passion for making beautiful, bespoke furniture.

"We really appreciate this visit from our MP," he said.

"Mr Halfon is a huge asset to Harlow and he is obviously sincere in his support of the town and the people who live and work here."

Praise for van driver Allison

Prime Minister pledges his support

William Mata

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WHITE van lady Alison Hickling runs cleaning, decorating and gardening businesses by trade, but her strong views on society have brought her into the spotlight.

Miss Hickling, 43, of High Ongar, Harlow, started her own company Finesse Home Improvement after previously working for her parents clothing firm. She can be found resealing baths and fixing up cupboards for landlords.

The jobs Miss Hickling takes on challenge stereotypes and she is part of a growing number of hard working women credited for helping the economy to grow.

In defying the "white van man Dan" image Miss Hickling came to mainstream media attention and was the subject of a page lead in The Sun newspaper, where she set out her plans for a better society.

"Everyone said I was brave for giving such an opinionated interview" said Miss Hickling, who was pictured under the headline 'White Van Woman' on the tabloid's page six.

Her 'manifesto' for social change, included: revamping job seekers allowance, bringing in ID cards to control Britain's borders and giving children more sporting opportunities.



WHITE VAN WOMAN: Prime Minister praised Alison Hickling

"Women are getting their independence back. Their role has dramatically changed since Margaret Thatcher" she said in the article on Wednesday, January 14.

Harlow MP Robert Halfon organised *The Sun* interview, and later used the piece to address David Cameron in Prime Minister's Questions.

Pointing a copy of *The Sun* at the Prime Minister, Mr Halfon talked about how over 20 per cent of businesses are started

by women before asking Mr Cameron if: "White Van Women are part of our longer term economic plan?"

"Absolutely" replied Mr Cameron, "Those wheels must keep turning."

"Women-led businesses is up by a third but if we could get the same level of female entrepreneurship in Britain as there is in America we would virtually wipe out the remaining unemployment we have."

Stats show fall in town jobseekers

HARLOW MP Robert Halfon and Labour parliamentary rival Suzy Stride are at odds over jobseekers policy following new figures that show a decrease in youth unemployment.

Mr Halfon has welcomed the figures released last week, which have shown the number of Job Seekers Allowance claimants to have dropped by 50 per cent since the 2010 election.

The drop is significant amongst young people with 56 per cent fewer signing on in the same period.

Mr Halfon, whose Conservative party came into power in 2010, said: "These figures show the huge progress that we are making in Harlow, and is great news for everyone in the town."

"Under Labour, Harlow had a high rate of unemployment, but as 50 per cent fewer people are now claiming JSA, we are now in line with the national average."

"This means that more Harlow people are receiving regular pay checks that provide security for themselves and their families" said Mr Halfon.

However, Miss Stride, who is competing for Halfon's seat in May's general election said the rising cost of living and levelling of wages are leaving families are worse off than four years ago.

"Any fall in unemployment is welcome but wages remain sluggish and working people in Harlow are £1,600 a year worse off since 2010" she said.

"While the average weekly wage for males in Harlow is now less than it was in 2010, Halfon is busy doing a victory lap. Who is he trying to kid?" added Miss Stride.

"A Labour government will tackle the Tory cost-of-living crisis and the Tory low-wage economy by raising the National Minimum Wage to £8 an hour, ensuring more people are paid a Living Wage."

Furniture store opens for business

A SPECIAL weekend of discounts and prizes marked the opening of a new Harvey's Furniture store at the Queensgate Centre over the weekend.

Customers were treated to a one-off 10 per cent discount across the opening weekend, while staff from St Clare Hospice were on hand to launch their spring raffle, with the top prize being a new Suzuki Alto hatchback.

The new 11,000 sq foot store will support 10 jobs and has moved from Oaks Retail Park.

Store manager Tracey Shepherd said: "We're thrilled to have St Clare Hospice, we hope shoppers come along to support them. The store looks amazing and showcases our furniture in ways that will inspire."

Opening hours are 10am-8pm, Monday to Friday, 9am-6pm Saturday and 11am-5pm Sunday.



Running club presents proceeds of 10k to charity supporting disabled

MEMBERS of Harlow Running Club have presented £6000 to a charity providing support services to people with a disability.

The club, which picked Accuro as its charity of the year, handed over a cheque for the money, which was raised at its annual 'Harlow 10' race to the charity's co-ordinator Michelle Jephcott.

Accuro is a Harlow-based organisation which has been providing services to disabled children and adults – and their families – since 1984.

It is now actively seeking to strengthen its links with the local community.

"During the year the club has not only provided us with this financial donation but assisted greatly with a fun run we held in

the summer, as well as providing us with the opportunity to raise awareness of our work and services," said Ms Jephcott.

"Every donation makes a huge difference to the services we can provide to children, young people and adults with a disability, as well as their families, in these very difficult times."

"We would also like to express our thanks to the club committee and members for voting for Accuro to benefit from being one of their nominated charities."

For more information about Accuro, its services and how to become involved in its work, visit www.accuro.org.uk, email michelle@accuro.org.uk or call (01279) 433667.

Anger over station car park fines

MP accuses firm of 'fleecing' drivers

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THE company which runs the multi-storey car park used by hundreds of commuters driving to Harlow Town station has come under fire for fining motorists who leave their vehicles in restricted areas.

Harlow MP Robert Halfon accused NCP, which runs the car park, of "fleecing motorists" who park in the premium rate bays on level three which he claims are inadequately signed.

The cost of a premier season ticket to park at the station is currently £1,474.

After raising the issue with company bosses towards the end of last year, Mr Halfon said he is still receiving complaints from drivers who fall foul of the regulations despite receiving an assurance the clarity of the warning signs would be improved.

He is now calling on the company to refund drivers who have been penalised immediately because the regulations are still not clear.

Mr Halfon first contacted NCP in December to protest the fines after receiving a number of complaints.

In its written response, NCP confirmed the third level of the car park was a "premium" rate area and large yellow signs were in place to explain the bay system.

However, chief executive Jo Cooper acknowledged in the letter that mark-



ings had become unclear in the weather and would be refreshed.

"The last thing we want to be doing is issuing fines to customers for genuine human error," she wrote.

Mr Halfon has now written a follow-up letter to NCP demanding the situation is rectified after he was contacted by another motorist who was issued with a fine.

"I think it is outrageous that hard-working residents are being fleeced by NCP with inadequate signage, despite being promised that it would be improved," he said.

"Clearly whatever was proposed has either not yet been implemented or is still not fit for purpose. I believe that those residents issued with a penalty charge notice for parking in this area should have their fines refunded without delay."

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Survey of patients heaps praise on emergency ambulance crews

FRONTLINE staff working for the East of England Ambulance Service Trust have been praised for their performance after new figures revealed a 98 per cent patient satisfaction rating.

The statistics were gathered from a survey given to 120 patients who required emergency medical care from the trust – which covers Essex, and five other counties – in October.

According to some patients, staff were "attentive", "wonderful", "professional", "polite" and "friendly".

The survey also revealed that 97 per cent of people using the 999 service were satisfied with the length of time they waited for an ambulance to

arrive, while more than 90 per cent said they felt they were involved in the decisions made about their care.

In addition, 94 per cent described their journey to hospital as very comfortable, comfortable or fairly comfortable.

EEAST chief executive Anthony Marsh, said he was delighted by the results of the survey which he said was testament to the dedication and care shown shown by frontline staff.

He added: "This report shows that the vast majority of patients find the time they wait for an ambulance acceptable. However, we know we have more to do to improve our response times."

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It's a Girl



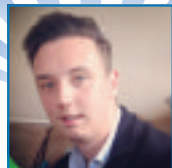
Enright Kacie Mai

Kerry and Chris are delighted to announce the arrival of their beautiful baby girl Kacie Mai Enright. Born on January 15th 2015, weighing 7lbs14oz. Kerry and Chris Enright



Birthday Greetings

Happy 21st birthday



Glynn Doyle

Happy 21st birthday to a special son 03/02/1994

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Happy 21st Birthday



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Happy 21st Birthday Jade All our love and kisses

Mum, Dad & Louie



Birthday Greetings

18th Birthday

Harry Mitchell-Brown

Happy 18th Birthday 29-01-2015 all our love

Nan Grandad and Gem xxx



18th Birthday



HARRY MITCHELL BROWN

Happy 18th Birthday on the 29th January all our love

Mum,Rik,Alfie,Dillon and Betsy XXXXX

Happy Birthday Daughter



Hollie Teahan

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Bereavements



GEORGINA DOWNEY

Peacefully in Premier Court Nursing Home, Thorley, on 24th January 2015, aged 80 years. The beloved Mum to Colleen and Paul and a wonderful and loving Nan to her 4 Grandchildren and 4 Great Grandchildren. She will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. RIP.

Gina will be accepted into Our Lady of Fatima RC Church on Monday 2nd February 2015 at 6.00pm. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 3rd February 2015 at 3.30pm. followed by cremation at

Parndon Wood Crematorium.

All enquires and flowers to Masterson Funeral Home, Independent and Family Owned Funeral Directors, Station Road, Old Harlow, Essex. CM17 0AS.

Tel: 01279 626238.

GREENHILL EVELYN (Eva)

Sadly passed away December 31st 2014, aged 84.

Evelyn will be greatly missed by all her loving family and friends.

God Bless.

R.I.P.

Love you always xxx

Funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium, Harlow on Monday 9th February at 11.30am, afterwards at Canons Brook Golf Club.



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JOHN GUERRATI

Passed away peacefully after a short illness on 21st January 2015 aged 86 years.

A beloved Husband to Sheila, much loved Dad to Gina and Dianne, Brother to Michael and devoted Grandad to Jade, Hannah, Luke, Leah and Emma.

The funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Thursday 5th February 2015 at 2.30pm.

Donations if desired made payable to British Heart Foundation may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP Telephone: 01279 426990

"SADLY MISSED"

ELEANOR HIGGS

(Rutland Nee Kitchener)

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Died suddenly on 17th January 2015. Was greatly loved and will be most sadly missed by all her Family.

Eleanor's Funeral Service is to be held on Wednesday 4th February 2015, at Parndon Wood Crematorium at 1.45p.m.

Family Flowers only please, donations if desired for PDSA. Cheques made Payable to MFH Charities Account.

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Bereavements

CHADWICK KATHLEEN JOYCE

Passed away on Sunday 18th January 2015. Service to be held at Epping Forest Woodland Burial Park on Friday 13th February 2015 at 1.00pm.

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Daniel Robinson & Sons Ltd, 146 High Street, Epping, Essex, CM16 4AG, 01992 560890

KEV DAVIES

Passed away peacefully in his sleep at St Clare Hospice.

His funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Wednesday 4th February 2015 at 9.30am.

No flowers by request but donations may be sent to St Clare Hospice in Kev's memory.

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RAYMOND CHARLES KNIGHT

Betty Knight is sad to announce the death of her Husband Ray at Princess Alexandra Hospital on 23rd January 2015, aged 91 years.

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LAMBERT CATHERINE — Funeral service to be held at Parndon Wood crematorium on Tuesday 3rd February at 2.30 pm. Donations if desired to be made payable to Marie Curie cancer care C/O Daniel Robinson & Sons Wych Elm Harlow CM20 1QP

Patricia Eileen MEADOWS nee Hibbert

Died peacefully at Broomfield Hospital 21 Jan, age 83. Loved and missed by Lorraine, David, Sarah,

Jonathan, Daniel, Shona, family and friends.

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Jan will be greatly missed by all her loving family and friends.

Funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium Chapel on Tuesday 10th February 2015 at 2.30pm. All Welcome.

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LEONARD WILLIAM WITT

Peacefully at home on 17th January 2015, aged 90 years. He will be sadly missed by all.

Len's Funeral Service is to be held on Monday 9th February 2015, at Parndon Wood Crematorium Chapel at 1.00p.m. followed by interment in the Cemetery.

Flowers welcome, or donations, if desired, for St Clare Hospice. Cheques made payable to MFH Charities Account.

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In Memoriam

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DORIS LOUISA FEATHERSTONE

Who gave her love to so many, especially her family. In loving remembrance, think of her never to be forgotten.

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PARISH KATHLEEN — 29th January 2002 In loving memory of a dear Mum & Nan, who is sadly missed but is always in our thoughts. Love David, Martin & Families



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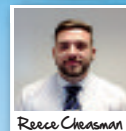
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Conference will showcase work of patient panel

Team helps improve 'hospital experience'

Gemma Gardner

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A LONG-term and chronic health condition is not usually considered an advantage when taking up a new job role.

But for Harlow resident Ann Nutt, the rheumatoid arthritis which she was diagnosed as a young adult has inspired her work as chairman of the Princess Alexandra NHS Trust's patient panel.

Since re-launching the panel 18 months ago, she and her 17-strong team of volunteers have been responsible for driving through many improvements in patient experience – from better food to clearer and more user-friendly patient information leaflets.

Other projects have included working with trust staff to cut delays and speed up the discharge process, as well as lobbying to improve the transport options available to patients.

Following a busy and successful year, Ann is now preparing for the panel's second annual conference which will be held from 10am-4pm on Friday, February 27 at the Harlow Leisurezone.

"We are doing a lot of good work but we would love to welcome new members," she said. "We want as many people as possible to come to our annual conference to find out more about what we do."

"They are aiming to recruit from a broad range of age groups, gender, ethnic background, disabled

and able-bodied individuals. They are also keen to have people from across Hertfordshire and Essex to represent the many areas where the Trust's patients live."

Lunch will be provided at the conference, which will include presentations on hospital food, infection control, how to look after prescribed medicines and caring for those with dementia.

There will also be interactive elements, with the opportunity for those attending to take a dementia test and learn more about potential early symptoms.

The programme also includes a talk about the condition and how to care for those who have been diagnosed.

Professor Nancy Fontaine, who is chief nurse at PAH said: "The creation of the patient panel was essential in order to provide a means for critical challenge to the trust's services, as well as allowing the lay public to work with us on all elements of quality and safety improvements, including infection prevention and control."

"That is why we owe so much to the sterling work over the last year of the individuals who make up the panel. They help to ensure that on a daily basis we are truly living our values of being respectful, responsible, caring and committed."

Anyone who would like to attend the conference should email proactivegroup@ntlworld.co.uk or call (01279) 827084 to book a place.



CREATIVE: Suzy Stride joins staff and volunteers at The Calm Centre charity in Harlow

Charity praised for creativity and focus

LABOUR parliamentary hopeful Suzy Stride has shown her support for the party's plans to make radical improvements in mental health provision by visiting Harlow charity The Calm Centre.

Ms Stride praised the "creativity" of the charity, which offers counselling to people over the age of 18 in Harlow.

"The Calm Centre is a fantastic charity serving people in Harlow and offering an

essential lifeline to those struggling, who need counselling," she said.

Labour supports more a greater emphasis on prevention, early intervention and better support – particularly for young people – as part of their plans to sustain and improve the NHS.

Ms Stride added: "It is services like these that help prevent more serious health problems occurring in people's lives."

"The Calm Centre's creativity,

innovation and local focus is what makes them special, and I hope future governments will provide them the funding they need and residents need."

Mark Stephens, chairman of the board of directors, said afterwards: "It was so encouraging to meet a prospective MP, who really understood the needs of small, local charities and has committed herself to championing them."

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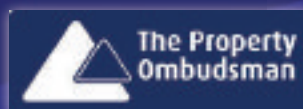


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ALLISON NEALE QUARTET WITH NAT STEELE

WHERE: Harlow Cricket Club, Old Harlow
WHEN: Friday, January 30 at 7.30pm
DETAILS: www.musicatmarigolds.co.uk
COST: £8 on the door
American born, Allison Neale's beautifully crafted lines evoke the spirit of Paul Desmond and Art Pepper with whom she has a particular affinity. As a strong advocate of the melodic West Coast style she has performed alongside leading international artists such as Adelaide Hall and Bud Shank and more recently tenor Scott Hamilton as well as featuring in both the John Dankworth Generations Band and the Back to Basie Orchestra. She frequently tours the UK with her current Quartet, which also features acclaimed jazz pianist Leon Greening, bassist Julian Bury and drummer Steve Brown and has two CDs to her name *Melody Express* with guitarist Dave Cliff and *Blue Concept* with trumpeter

LIVING WITH LUKE

WHERE: Burnt Mill Academy
WHEN: From Friday, January 30 and Saturday, January 31
Living With Luke is based on the blogs about the boy written from his father's perspective. The central role of Luke's father, Danson Thunderbolt, is played by the writer of the blogs - local actor and resident Steve Hannam. It is set in a full-scale wrestling ring where Thunderbolt fights the Shadow - literally - to make contact with Luke and the referee tries to keep control! It is funny, poignant and real, fusing wrestling and theatre to show what life is like living with an autistic child.

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WHERE: St John's Arc, Old Harlow
WHEN: Friday, January 30 at 1.30pm
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FOOTLIGHTS AT THE THEATRE 2015

WHERE: Victoria Hall, Old Harlow
WHEN: Sunday, February 1 at 5.30pm
DETAILS: www.footlightstheatredance.co.uk
An afternoon of entertainment from Footlights Theatre Dance School.

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WHERE: The Playhouse, Harlow
WHEN: Wednesday, February 11 at 8pm
COST: £18.50
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WHERE: The Playhouse, Harlow
WHEN: Thursday, February 12 at 7.30pm
COST: £14
Trevor Marriott is a retired British Police Murder squad detective who throughout his long and protracted career has investigated and solved many crime mysteries. The results of his investigations are thought provoking, and will captivate and enthral the audience as he dispels before them many of the previously accepted facts surrounding these well-known myths and mysteries.



A BAND of tricksters, swindlers and cheats is heading for Harlow-but don't worry - it's all in the name of entertainment.

The Champions of Magic show is back on the road for a spring tour and will be arriving at the Playhouse on March 1.

Five world class illusionists - queen of close-up Fay Presto, visual magic expert Edward Hilsum, master mindreader Alex McAleer and grand illusionists Young & Strange - will dazzle audiences with masterful cart manipulation, mind-boggling sleight of hand and spectacular illusions in a production which fuses a collection of classic and contemporary magic with stunning lighting, video and special effects.

The cast of the show have appeared on national and international television including ITV's *Penn & Teller: Fool Us*, *This Morning* and *Good Morning Britain* and the BBC's *History of Magic*.

Young & Strange: Richard Young and Sam Strange first met when they were eight-year-olds and their childhood friendship was cemented with a common interest in magic.

They spent their teenage years attempting to make Las Vegas style illusions with cardboard and tape but with little money they were forced to create original illusions and magic tricks. In recent years they have performed on some of the biggest stages around the world and their spectacular shows have landed them spots on prime time television.

Edward Hilsum: The smart young face of modern British magic, Hilsum was just 18 when he was invited to join the Magic

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Circle. Within three years he was performing throughout Europe and across America and he was asked to create and perform during the London Olympics.

Alex McAleer: Known among his peers as a creative and original thinker, McAleer has acted as a consultant magician for a number of other performers and theatrical productions.

Combining contemporary mind reading with a sharp wit and a flair for showmanship, he leaves his audiences scratching their heads in amazement with his ability to reveal names and places from their past.

Fay Presto: Arguably Britain's premier close-up magician, Presto has performed in front of the Queen and other members of the Royal Family as well as Madonna, Sting, Elton John and Rod Stewart.

One of her illusions was included in Channel 4's 50 greatest magic trick and she recently appeared alongside David Copperfield on CNN's *Quest For Magic*.

Champions of Magic arrives at Harlow Playhouse on Sunday, March 1. The show starts at 7pm and tickets are priced £17-£21.

MAGICfacts

■ It takes over 70 man hours to build the Champions Of Magic show at each venue on the tour.

■ Four of the performers are Magic Circle members with two associates of the Inner Magic Circle and one member of the Inner Magic Circle.

■ The show's crew includes a dedicated special effects technician due to the huge quantity of effects used in each performance. Over 50 individual pyrotechnic pieces, six air cannons, 10 industrial fans and six high output smoke machines create the stunning sequences seen in the show.

■ The show uses over 12,000 watts of strobe lighting.

■ The steel fan which illusionists Young & Strange will attempt to walk through has six solid blades which spin at over 80 mph. Health and safety officers attempted to stop them from performing the illusion as they couldn't understand how it was achieved.

■ Fay Presto co-ordinated an onstage marriage proposal at a Champions Of Magic tour date in Jersey. She has since been asked to perform at the newly engaged couple's wedding in 2016.

■ The production design team have worked with world class artists including Lady Gaga, Kate Bush, Diversity, Adele and Calvin Harris.

■ Many of the largest illusions in the show were designed and built just for the Champions Of Magic cast, with some being imported directly from Las Vegas.

The magic designers responsible for the illusions have also worked for the likes of Disney and David Copperfield.

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IT is 37 years since the godfather of glam rock Marc Bolan died in a car accident, yet the music of T.Rex is as popular today as ever.

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But his legacy lives on in the form of tribute band T.Rextasy – led by Danielz, pictured – who have been performing around the world for more than 20 years.

It is the only band endorsed and approved by Bolan's family, estate, original members of T.Rex and Bolan's catalogue management.

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T.Rextasy will be performing the *I Love To Boogie* show at The Playhouse in Harlow on Friday, February 13. Tickets cost £18.50-£21.50 (including booking fee) and can be booked online at www.playhouseharlow.com or by calling the box office on (01279) 431945.

Queen of tribute acts visits Rhodes

A TRIBUTE band who have been paying homage to Queen for 20 years will be performing live in concert at Rhodes in Bishop's Stortford next month.

Since forming in 1995, Supreme Queen have made an impact on audiences across the UK, Europe and Asia.

Frontman Scott Maley is an uncanny 'Freddie Mercury', with the right look, stage persona and, most importantly, an incredibly powerful voice.

He is joined on stage by a talented band, including Nathan Mathers, who brings all the electric guitar virtuosity required to play a convincing Brian May. Their attention to detail is impressive and extends to use of the same equipment used by Queen in their heyday.

Janice Long, BBC Radio 2 broadcaster, said: "I got the fright of my life when I saw 'Freddie' backstage; he looked just like the real thing. He went on stage and gave a blistering performance, winding the crowd up song by song."

Supreme Queen are at Rhodes on Saturday, February 21. Tickets are £18 from Rhodes on (01279) 651746 or www.rhodesbishopsstortford.org.uk.



FLOYD to help raise funds for LINKFEST

THE organiser of Harlow's annual LinkFest is hoping a Pink Floyd tribute concert will help to raise funds to run the music festival this year.

Lead LinkFest organiser Jamie Pring described guitarist Steve Forward, and his one-man show *One Floyd*, as: "The definitive Pink Floyd solo show" which will rock Harlow's GPCA club on Friday, February 28.

"It will be an awesome show," said Mr Pring. "Steve has worked hard and the projection is phenomenal, it looks amazing."

At the show's interval an auction will also be held to raise money for the festival, which will include tickets to see an England football game

at Wembley.

"There are 250 tickets and I'm hoping to sell them all," Mr Pring added.

"How much we raise all depends on the auction, but getting £1,000 would be good."

Professional musician Steve Forward, 39, from Clacton-on-Sea, is also a producer and guitar teacher, having been in bands for well over 15 years.

Steve will play the classic 1973 Pink Floyd album *The Dark Side of the Moon* in full, whilst also including some personal favourites from *The Wall* his "favourite album of all time".

"I'm excited. The first rehearsal went really

well. This is a first for Harlow and for me personally to perform a one man tribute show."

Despite Pink Floyd having four members in their 1970s peak, Steve has risen to the challenge of performing solo through a complicated system of background loops which he had previously recorded.

"Despite the complexity of the show, it is still me performing and playing completely live. It was a lot of work, but Pink Floyd's work needs to be heard," he said.

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More of an EATING PLAN than a DIET

The 5:2 diet is nothing new, but it is effective - so much so, even doctors recommend it. **Claire Spreadbury** finds out what all the fuss is about

How's that New Year's resolution of losing weight coming along? If the sweet treats have crept back into your daily routine, or Dry January has become awash with weekend wine, don't despair.

In 2012, there was a point when everyone seemed to be talking about the 5:2 diet. More of an eating plan than a diet, it simply involves two 'fasting' days a week, when your calorie intake needs to be a maximum of 500 for women or 600 for men, and five blissfully normal definitely-not-on-a-diet days.

Three years on and the New Year bookshelves are still groaning under the weight of new titles; Kate Harrison's 5:2 Good Food Kitchen, for one. And that's because it works.

"From the first day I did it, I realised it was the easiest approach to controlling my weight I'd ever tried," notes Harrison. "I lost 31lbs, gained energy, confidence and a complete loss of guilt about food. And it inspired me to write four books."

Now, I'm not much of a calorie counter. Weight Watchers put paid to that about 15 years ago, when I found myself totting up how many 'points' my enviably slim and non-dieting lunch date was consuming, while staring miserably at my crispbreads. But working out the tastiest way to consume just 500 calories - and sticking to it by telling myself I can eat whatever I want tomorrow - is something I can just about manage, especially if it's only for two days out of seven.

"On a weekly basis, you're slashing at least 3,000 calories from what you'd normally eat, which is equal to a

pound of real weight loss - not water loss," says diet and fitness expert Laura Williams (www.laurawilliamsonline.co.uk). "It's a simple question of sums and creating deficits."

I'm only on week two, but am happy to keep it up - and losing 2.5lbs in seven days has certainly spurred me on.

I would recommend avoiding 'virtually calorie-free' (and also completely tasteless) noodles, and discovering low-calorie foods you don't dislike. A massive salad hits all the right notes, Marks & Spencer's mini hot cross buns are a perfect 100-calorie fix and there's an array of low-cal ready meals on the market that are a lot more tasty than you think - and make it easy to keep fasting, even when you're too busy to cook.

Try it - you might like it. And if you do, and you find your scales are suddenly pointing at your goal weight, you can drop down to one fasting day a week to keep it all off.

That's what Harrison did, after dropping from a wobbly size 16 to a slender 10-12 - which she still is - three years ago. Here are her top tips to keep you on track, plus three delicious recipes to inspire your fasting days...

KATE HARRISON'S TOP 5:2 DIET TIPS

■ Choose the right Fast Days - and mark them in your diary! You want a day when you're busy, but not under too much pressure.

■ Plan your meals and shop ahead.

■ Focus on flavour and freshness. Aim for seasonal ingredients - salads and berries in summer, hearty soups in winter. Making your own is quicker than you'd think and you can freeze



EASTERN INFLUENCE: Lemongrass and ginger pork with noodles

portions to cut time in the kitchen on a Fast Day.

■ Spice up your 5:2 life with chillis, spices and strong flavours. Chilli flakes, curry powder, garlic, fresh lemon juice and balsamic vinegar are always to hand on my Fast Days.

■ Drink up. Often when we think we're hungry, we're actually thirsty. So drink lots of water, black coffee or tea - if you add milk, count the calories.

■ Distract yourself. Hunger tends to come in waves, so have a brew or phone a friend and you'll forget all about it.

■ Join the Facebook group (facebook.com/groups/the52diet) - there are members there around the

clock, ready to spur you on.

■ Write down what you eat on a Fast Day - and how you feel - to help you discover what works best for you.

■ Weigh yourself no more than once a week, or less, at the same time of day. Our weight fluctuates so much that you don't want to get disheartened by weighing daily. Look for other positive signs too - like a pair of jeans that are tight before you start.

■ Enjoy a balanced diet - and treats - on your non-fasting days. When you're not fasting, you can eat normally, up to around 2,000 calories for women and 2,400 for men.

For more tips, visit www.the52dietbook.com

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Vegetarian Thali

EGGS 'BENEFIT' WITH MUSTARD SAUCE

SERVES 1

Calories: 189 for Florentine; 193 for Benedict; 220 for Royale (add 78 for a second poached egg)

Ingredients

For the sauce:

1tsp Dijon mustard

2tbsp half-fat creme fraiche

Fresh herb leaves, such as chives, parsley or dill, plus extra to garnish

Salt and pepper

Pinch of sugar (optional)

For the 'Benefit' layer:

50g fresh or defrosted frozen spinach (or 20g smoked salmon or 20g slice of ham)

Squeeze of lemon juice, if using spinach

1 very thin slice of sourdough bread weighing 15g

1 medium egg

Splash of vinegar

Salt and pepper

Method

Make the sauce by heating the creme fraiche and mustard gently in a small saucepan for two minutes. Use scissors to snip the herbs directly into the saucepan, reserving a few leaves for garnish. Season to taste. If it's too sharp for you, add a pinch of sugar or sweetener.

For the 'Benefit' layer, microwave or pan cook the spinach with a little water and a squeeze of lemon juice until wilted. Season with pepper then drain through a sieve. When cool enough to handle, carefully squeeze out as much of the water as possible and set aside.

Toast the sourdough bread lightly under the grill or in a toaster.

For the egg(s), bring a medium saucepan of water to the boil with a splash of vinegar. Break your egg onto a small

plate. Create a whirlpool in the water with a fork or whisk and, with your other hand, slip the egg into the middle of the saucepan as gently as possible. Turn off the heat and set a timer for three minutes. After that time, check that the egg white has set before removing from the saucepan using a slotted spoon. Place gently onto a plate lined with kitchen paper to absorb the excess cooking water.

Set the toast on a warm plate, lay the spinach, ham or salmon on top, then add the egg(s) and finally the sauce. Season and serve with herb leaves..

LEMONGRASS AND GINGER PORK WITH NOODLES

SERVES ONE

Calories: 356

Ingredients

100g pork escalope

½ lemongrass stalk, finely chopped

2cm-piece fresh root ginger, peeled and

finely chopped

½ shallot, finely chopped

1-cal cooking spray

25g rice noodles

50g mixture of baby corn and sugar snap peas

50g broccoli florets

Zest and juice of half a lime

½tsp sesame oil

1tsp soy sauce

½ red chilli, sliced

Method

Put the pork escalope in a dish with the lemongrass, ginger and shallot. Toss the meat to coat. If you have time, place the dish in the fridge to allow the pork to marinate for up to an hour.

Spray a cold, non-stick frying pan with one-calorie cooking spray and place over a medium heat. Add the pork and fry it for three to four minutes on one side. Turn over, adding more spray to the pan, if needed. Continue to cook the pork on the other side, until golden and

cooked through in the middle. Set aside to rest.

Bring a small pan of water to the boil. Add the noodles and cook for five minutes, or following the instruction on the pack. Add the baby corn and sugar snap pea mixture, as well as the broccoli florets, then turn off the heat and allow to cook in the hot water for one to two minutes.

Drain the noodles and vegetables, toss well to mix, then return them to the pan. Stir in the lime zest and juice, sesame oil, soy sauce and chilli, then spoon onto a plate. Slice the pork and arrange on top, then drizzle round any of the rested juices.

Vegetarian Thali

SERVES 2

Calories: 241 per serving

Ingredients

½tsp coconut oil

1 small red onion, sliced

1 clove garlic, crushed

2cm-piece peeled ginger, weighing 5g

1 small green chilli, finely chopped

½tsp garam masala

¼tsp cinnamon

¼tsp ground cardamom

150ml almond milk

10g cashew nuts

10g flaked almonds, reserving a few for garnish

200g mushrooms

100g fine beans or sugar snap peas

40g dried apricots, snipped

For the Pomegranate and Mint Raita:

100g 0% fat yoghurt

A few fresh mint leaves, chopped

30g pomegranate seeds

For the almost-instant pickles:

250g mixed vegetables, including

cauliflower, carrot or cucumber, radishes and red onion

5g root ginger, finely chopped

1 clove garlic, finely chopped

1 small fresh green chilli, deseeded, core removed and thinly sliced

100ml water

100ml white wine vinegar

1tsp sugar or equivalent in sweetener (optional) 1tsp salt

½tsp black or white mustard seeds

¼tsp each whole coriander and cumin seeds

Good pinch dried chilli flakes (optional)

Method

Heat coconut oil in a non-stick saucepan over a low heat.

Add the onion, garlic, ginger, chilli and spices and fry very gently for three minutes. Then add the almond milk and the nuts. Simmer gently for seven minutes. Blend with a stick blender, pour into a cup and set aside.

Fry the mushrooms in the same pan for three minutes over medium heat. Don't move them around too much, so they brown nicely. Add the beans or peas and the snipped apricots, then return the spiced sauce to the pan. Simmer for six to eight minutes, or until the beans or sugar snaps are tender.

To make the raita, combine the yoghurt with the chopped mint leaves and top with the pomegranate seeds.

For the pickles, slice or snap the vegetables into bite-size pieces and place in a large microwaveable dish. Add all of the remaining ingredients and cover the bowl with a plate.

Microwave on full power for three to four minutes, depending on how crunchy you like the vegetables. Or, heat everything in a large saucepan over high heat for five minutes. You can skip the heating if you prefer a really crunchy salad pickle.

Serve the korma in one bowl, sprinkled with the reserved nuts.



TASTY BUT HEALTHY: Eggs Benefit with Mustard Sauce

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WORTH A WATCH

ON TV



Mike's TV Film of the Week

WAR: BITTER VICTORY BBC Two, Saturday, January 31, 6.45am
Magnificent. Nicholas Ray's Bitter Victory, made in 1957, is a little-seen and mystifyingly under-appreciated masterpiece. It never appears on critics' lists of best war movies – it doesn't make Sky's top 100 or Time Out's top 50 – but it belongs at the top. In fact, forget genre, it's among the greatest of all films.

We're in the midst of the Western Desert campaign. At a British Army camp in Cairo, a highly dangerous 30-man commando raid behind enemy lines to steal secret documents from the German HQ in Benghazi, Libya, is being planned, and there are two candidates to lead it. One, Major David Brand (Curt Jurgens), is a long-serving "by the book" professional soldier who hasn't seen any real action. The other, Captain Jimmy Leith (Richard Burton), is a volunteer. An archaeologist in peacetime, Leith, unlike Brand, knows Benghazi and its people well, and speaks fluent Arabic. He seems more suited to the task, but the General doesn't like his insolent attitude, among other things. "He's an intellectual..." he splutters "... and he's Welsh!" He also happens to be the former lover of Brand's wife Jane (Ruth Roman), who turns up at the camp on the eve of the mission. In the end both men are sent, with Brand in charge, but it soon becomes clear he's not up to the job...

There's nothing especially earth-shattering about any of this – it's an interesting premise and a good script, by Ray and three others. But it was Ray who once said, "If it's all in the script, why make the movie?" and this is why he said it. Anyone impressed by the "visual mastery" of Stanley Kubrick or David Lean should check out Bitter Victory to see the real thing. Every shot adds something to our understanding – the succession of stunning black and white Cinemascope images (switch off immediately if it's not shown letterboxed) bursting onto the screen don't illustrate the story, they are the story. And Ray invests them – whether in a bar or out in the desert – with such emotional impact and psychological insight, such verve and power and momentum, that the effect is overwhelming – even on TV.

Burton is at his best, as are Jurgens and Roman (which isn't saying much), and Nigel Green shines as a grinning, sardonic thief. Great score by Maurice Le Roux too. *Mike Whiteway*

Colin Firth plays a distinguished gent in his new movie – but this one also happens to be a kick-ass spy. He tells **Susan Griffin** why it was time to do the unexpected in Matthew Vaughn's new film, *Kingsman: The Secret Service*

When Colin Firth was injured during production on his latest movie, it wasn't a medic that was called over; it was a photographer. "Every time I got a bruise or a broken tooth, rather than get the nurse in, it was, 'Get the cameras in, so we can show you're going through it!'" recalls the 54-year-old.

That's because in his latest incarnation, the man known to millions as Mr Darcy, from both the *Pride And Prejudice* TV series and *Bridget Jones* movies, has turned action spy and martial arts expert, in the comic book adaptation *Kingsman: The Secret Service*.

"When we were shooting it, the stunt guy would say, 'Let's get the B-roll in to film some of this, because nobody's going to believe it.'"

Firth, looking handsome in a dark suit and black-rimmed glasses, couldn't believe it either, and is more than aware that his many fans will see it as an unexpected role.

"It was unexpected for me too, but it sparked my interest immediately because of that," admits the Hampshire-born actor, who was already intrigued by the director Matthew Vaughn, who also helmed *Kick-Ass* and *X-Men: First Class*.

"I think he's a one-off. There was no script yet, it was a work in progress and he wasn't ready to show it to me, so I just went to hear what he had to say and I found him very compelling," reveals Firth, who was Oscar nominated for Tom Ford's *A Single Man* in 2010, and walked away with the gold statuette for *The King's Speech* the following year.

"Something in me just went, 'Why not?' It's so unusual for me, that it seemed silly not to take a chance."

Early on, Vaughn was "full of dire warnings" of the extent of training he'd be required to do. "And how much it would hurt and how much I was going to hate him by the end of it, and was I up for that," Firth adds.

"It was three hours a day for about six months, and started off in my back garden with a squat, lunge and somersaults, and then the choreography kicked in. I was learning to use parts of my body that I'd never used – I didn't even know they existed. It was painful, but I warmed to it and found it exhilarating," he continues.

"This wasn't the stuff I was doing when I was young. I wasn't one of the more athletic drama students. My recreation was a lot more sedate in my youth, so it was a chance in my 50s to do something completely different, and go into a bit of a physical world for a while."

Bar one stunt, involving a rig, it's all Firth on screen. "I said that to somebody, and they looked at me with horrified disappointment that I would tell people such an egregious lie," he notes, smiling.

"One of the reasons I feel so driven to tell people, is that I won't have gone through all that pain for nothing."

The effort definitely paid off. Not only did Livia, his Italian wife of 17 years, appreciate her newly honed husband ("It got noticed!" he confesses, laughing), but he looks a natural in the role of Harry, an impeccably suave spy and member of the secret organisation, known as *Kingsman*.

Harry recruits street kid Eggsy, played by newcomer Taron Egerton, and trains him up just as a global threat emerges from a twisted tech genius, brought to life by Samuel L. Jackson. A pastiche of the spy movies we all know and love, Firth acknowledges there's a lot of violence – but "it's wildly implausible".

"It's like a provocative pantomime, and in some ways I think it's sending up the extremity. I can't imagine how anyone would emulate it, because you'd need to be trained to do that stuff. It's closer to what you get in Monty Python, than it is to the realistic

INVESTIGATION:
Joaquin Phoenix
and Benicio Del Toro
in *Inherent Vice*



Cutting a DASH

KINGSMAN FACTS

- *Kingsman: The Secret Service* was written by Matthew Vaughn and Jonathan Ross' wife Jane Goldman, and is based on the comic book by Mark Millar, after he and Vaughn conceived of the idea on the set of *Kick-Ass*.
- Vaughn was inspired after reading a newspaper article about the fact the Dr. No director Terence Young cast Sean Connery against the wishes of 007 author Ian Fleming, and realised he had to turn him into a gentleman spy.
- More than 60 young men were screen-tested before Taron Egerton, from Aberystwyth, Wales, and fresh out of drama school, was cast in the role of street kid Eggsy.
- Sofia Boutella, who plays bad girl Gazelle, established her career as a dancer, leading in three of Madonna's tours, and as a brand ambassador for Nike.
- Martial artist and action choreographer Brad Allan, who worked with Vaughn on *Kick-Ass*, coordinated the fight sequences with a team that included a parkour champion and a break dancer.

films about the Middle East."

He hasn't decided whether he'll allow his two sons – Luca, 13 and Matteo, 11 – to watch it (he also has a 24-year-old son from a previous relationship with actress Meg Tilly).

"I'm not going to publicly recommend this to anyone under 15. But it's different, because my children saw me train, and went to set and saw me backstage and saw me in the workplace, so they have a very different perspective."

And whether or not people believe it to be gratuitously violent is "a valid conversation" to be had, Firth adds.

"There are fights in *Punch And Judy* and Shakespeare, and there's violence in war films and zombie films. There's violence of all types, and unless you believe they should be extracted from all storytelling, then it has to become a conversation about where your own threshold is," he remarks.

"Whatever that threshold is, Matthew likes to go towards the edge of it, and sit there and be provocative and outrageous but without, I

Inherent Vice

CRIME DRAMA: (15)

Director: PT Anderson
Starring: Joaquin Phoenix, Katherine Waterston, Josh Brolin, Owen Wilson, Benicio Del Toro, Martin Short

PAUL Thomas Anderson films are dense, textured explorations of the American Dream and whatever that might mean these days.

From *Hard Eight* to *The Master*, Anderson has looked at US society and its discontents but never in an obvious, didactic way. For him, it's more a matter of delving in and showing us what he finds.

In *Inherent Vice* he delves into Thomas Pynchon's acclaimed

Case of

novel of the same name which is set, significantly, in 1970.

It's the fog end of the hippy dream when the hopes and ideals of the flower power era have given way to a growing cynicism. The Kennedys and Martin Luther King have been assassinated, Nixon is President, Ronald Reagan is Governor of California and the 'Manson family' murders have just taken place.

The moment in time is vital to *Inherent Vice*, placing it in a time of transition and uncertainty.

Joaquin Phoenix plays stoner and private investigator (he prioritises the two activities in that order) Doc Sportello, who

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think, any intention to horrify. I think the violence in it is comic in tone, satirical and completely silly."

There'll be action of a different sort, when Firth starts filming *Deep Water* with *The Theory Of Everything's* director James Marsh this spring. "It's about Donald Crowhurst, who was a participant in the round the world yacht race in 1968," he explains. "But nothing's ever set in stone until it's ready to go."

Genius, on the other hand, a chronicle in which he plays Max Perkins, the book editor at renowned publisher Scribner, who oversaw works by F. Scott Fitzgerald and Ernest Hemingway, is in the can.

The movie marks his third collaboration with Nicole Kidman, following *The Railway Man* and *Before I Go Sleep*. He grins when asked if they'll work together again. "Inevitably," Firth replies. "I think we'll go for the multiple box-sets."

■ **Kingsman: The Secret Service** is released on Thursday, January 29



ODD COUPLE: Colin Firth and Taron Egerton

the stoned detective of the shack

lives in an LA beach shack and whose office is a spare consulting room at a doctor's surgery.

Doc's shambling, slacker lifestyle is shook up when his ex-girlfriend Shasta (Katherine Waterston) gets him embroiled in an investigation into the disappearance of her current boyfriend, a property tycoon called Mickey Wolfmann, which involves Nazi bikers, Black Power activists, a missing-presumed-dead surf saxophonist, a massage parlour and the Golden Fang which, as well as being a grand schooner cruising along the Californian coast, seems to be a crime syndicate using an association of

dentists as a front. And all the time, hard-nosed, straight-laced LA detective 'Big Foot' Bjornsen (Josh Brolin) is on Doc's tail, trying to bust him or, at the very least, annoy the hell out of him.

Confused? You're almost certainly meant to be in this rambling, convoluted yarn which no doubt reflects Doc's perma-stoned state of mind as much as showing the complicated workings of the case.

Anderson trusts in Pynchon's narrative and gives us enough threads to follow Doc on his wanderings so that we can just about make sense of what's going on but it's all impressionistic rather than clear-cut which leads

to some very funny encounters and digressions. It's as if Hunter S Thompson had scripted *Chinatown* or *LA Confidential*.

Phoenix is perfect as Doc, indeed it's hard to imagine anyone else pulling off that mix of befuddled charisma and hippy charm. As an actor, he has those invaluable assets of presence and mystique which always make him fascinating to watch.

Backing up Phoenix is a strong cast with Josh Brolin and Katherine Waterston (in her first major film role) particularly outstanding. Brolin's Big Foot comes over as a jut-jawed, old-fashioned law enforcer but he's under the thumb at home and has ambitions to be a TV

star, rather like the cops in *LA Confidential*.

There are certainly echoes of that film, and the James Ellroy novel it was based on, in *Inherent Vice*, as well as classic film noirs with their conventions of gumshoes, femme fatales, corruption and deceit.

Yet, drenched in Californian sun and the hippy era hangover, *Inherent Vice* is more neon noir than neo noir.

Funny, involving, surprising and even disturbing at times, it shows a confident, accomplished director at the height of his powers.

Darryl Webber

RATING: ■■■■■ Good

WORTH A WATCH



READY TO TURN: Ricky Wilson

Fancy staying in on Saturday night? Here's our TV choice

MUSIC

THE VOICE UK (BBC1, 7PM)

Judge Ricky Wilson took to this talent search like a duck to water. So how does it feel to be back? "It's something totally different to my day job - my Saturday job," he explains. "It creeps up on you really fast and now I'm back with Tom Jones whispering sweet nothings into my ear."

This week, it's round four of the blind auditions and Ricky, Tom Jones, Will.i.am and Rita Ora continues their efforts to build a 12-strong team.

Emma Willis and Marvin Humes will be backstage celebrating with or offering commiserations to the contestants' families.

SCIENCE

THE WORLD'S WEIRDEST WEATHER (CHANNEL 4, 8pm)

Britain has experienced its fair share of weird weather over the last couple of years - just ask the residents of the Somerset Levels.

However, there are some even more extraordinary phenomena taking place elsewhere around the globe, and this new series is here to explore them via amateur footage, eyewitness accounts and some remarkable experiments.

The first episode takes viewers on a trip to a cave system with its own weather, and a desert in Brazil where you can go for a swim in the lagoons while admiring the sand dunes.

DRAMA

SPIRAL (BBC4, 9PM)

Although the recent arrival of actor Gregory Fitoussi in *Mr Selfridge* (where he plays the exceptionally French-sounding Henri Leclair), may have left some viewers wondering if the actor was thinking of moving on from *Spiral*, the death of his character Pierre has still come as a huge shock.

And if we're struggling to take it in, there's little wonder Josephine feels like she's falling apart this week. Laure is also deeply affected, but will their shared grief bring the two women closer together?

DRAMA

CASUALTY (BBC1, 9.20PM)

The staff at Holby are usually pretty good when it comes to working out the patients' underlying problems - this week, for example there's concern when a single father and his two children are involved in a car accident, and the dad only seems bothered about one of his kids.

But can they spot when one of their colleagues is struggling to get by?

Well, no one appears to have spotted Big Mac's money problems, although in their defence, he has been keeping quiet, preferring to pawn his prized army medal rather than tell Honey and Noel that he can't afford to make them dinner.

CULTURE

THE SECRET WORLD OF LEWIS CARROLL (BBC2, REGIONS VARY)

This year marks the 150th-anniversary of the publication of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, but the children's classic shows little sign of ageing - it's been claimed that it's the third most-quoted work in English, after the Bible and the plays of Shakespeare.

But just why does the book's dreamlike logic and flights of surreal fancy still have such a powerful hold over our imaginations?

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DETOX FOR DRIVERS

TESTED Toyota Auris Hybrid

THE Toyota Auris Hybrid was the epitome of functionality in its first generation guise. With this second generation model, Toyota has made it better looking and a far more covetable commodity, whether you go for the hatch or the Touring Sports estate.

It hasn't gone soft on the environmental message though. Expect as much as 74.3mpg and as little as 84g/km.

What are the priorities when it comes to hybrid vehicle dynamics? In order, refinement, then refinement followed by refinement.

People don't buy these cars to fling round corners or smoke the tyres away from the lights. A good hybrid hatchback should be about pure relaxation and low stress.

It should promote a calm, measured

driving style and remind the driver that the journey can be enjoyed in ways other than outbraking someone into a roundabout.

Extensive soundproofing in the engine bay, front wheel arches and dashboard has reduced engine and road noise intrusion in the cabin of the latest Auris Hybrid. The 1.8-litre VVT-i petrol engine was already one of the smoothest in its class and, with the addition of the electric motor, it's also reasonably brisk. It'll make 62mph in 10.9 seconds on the way to 112mph.

The suspension has actually been softened but that's only because the chassis is now so much stiffer and the suspension components so much lighter that you'll now get a better ride whilst improving handling as well.

Improvements have been made to the electric power steering; a more rigid

steering column attachment ensures a linear steering feel while a new control unit suppresses changes in steering force to improve linear performance.

It also helps that a high gear ratio gives greater responsiveness. The result is steering that is more direct with better feedback and quicker turning, making the Auris a good deal more agile. When operating its switchable all-electric EV mode, the Auris Hybrid generates zero CO₂, NO_x and particulates for distances up to 1.2 miles at speeds up to about 31mph, according to the level of battery charge and driving conditions.

Auris Hybrid buyers get to choose either a five-door hatchback bodystyle or the Touring Sports estate.

We tried the ordinary hatch and found a few aesthetic hybrid-specific styling touches. The lower grille and

lower part of the rear bumper are finished in a graphite gloss paint and the Toyota emblems on the bonnet and tailgate are finished in hybrid blue.

Hybrid logos are featured on the front wings and there is a hybrid mark on the tailgate. Other features exclusive to the Hybrid also include LED rear light clusters and new 15 and 17-inch Turbine alloy wheels.

If there's one word that keeps being repeated by those who've driven the Auris Hybrid it's 'civilised'. It changes the way you drive for the better.

Nothing seems quite so important that you need to rush. It's far more pleasant to just waft along, enjoy some radio, take in the view and use all that spare processing power in your brain that was being devoted to trying to get the drop on the next guy into driving more courteously and economically.

Personally, I don't do this in a diesel car; I just keep trying to prod the turbocharger with a stick. So while a diesel might prove a little cheaper to run, if you're anything like me there are plenty of reasons why you might prefer a hybrid.

Even looking beyond the hybrid running gear, this Auris brings a lot more to the party. It's a whole lot better looking than before, with much more considered detailing.

For what it's worth, the driving dynamics have improved across the range but the emphasis has been on comfort and refinement, which only serves to make the Hybrid feel even more hushed.

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(11) Renault Megane 1.4 GT Line TomTom Convertible, 2dr, 12k, white £11,999
(11) Renault Megane 1.6 Dynamique TomTom Grey, 44k..... £6,999
(61) Renault Scenic 1.6 VVT Dynamique Brown, 25k £8,499
(11) Renault Scenic 1.6 VVT Dynamique TomTom Estate, 32k, Brown £7,999
(63) Renault Trafic 2000cc LWB Diesel 24k, white..... £11,499 + VAT
(63) Renault Trafic 2000cc LWB Diesel 24k, white £10,999
(62) Renault Twingo 1.2 Dynamique 3 dr, red, only 4,700 miles, style pack £6,499
(62) Seat Ibiza 1.4 SE 5 dr, 30k, red..... £7,499
(11) Skoda Yeti 2.0 Tdi CR SE 4x4 27k, climate control £12,999
(62) Toyota Yaris 1.4 TdTR 5dr, 25k, air con, reversing camera..... £8,999
(62) Vauxhall Astra 1.4i 16V black, 35k..... £7,499
(12) Vauxhall Astra 1.6i 16V Exclusive 36k, Auto, Grey £7,499
(10) Vauxhall Insignia 2.0 CDTi ECOFLEX SE 4dr, 39k silver £8,499
(61) Volkswagen Golf 2.0 TDI Match 5dr, 36k, silver, FSH £11,499
(62) Volkswagen Golf 1.2 (s/s) 5dr, 35k, grey £10,699
(12) Volkswagen Polo 1.6 TD S EL 5dr, grey..... £11,499



Audi A5 2.0 TFSI
£16,999



(11) Mitsubishi ASX 3 1.6
£11,299



(62) Seat Ibiza 1.4 SE
£7,499



(62) Fiat 500 0.9 TwinAir Street red, 18k
£8,299



Mercedes Benz C Class C63 Edition 125 2dr, automatic, Black
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Skoda Yeti Tdi
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VW Golf 1.6 Tdi
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Peugeot 107 1.0 Allure
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CAR OF THE WEEK 2006 (06) Peugeot 107 1.0



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red, remote locking, e/windows, CD player, 32,000 miles only, £20 a year road tax, ideal first car, cheap insurance

2011 (61) Peugeot 3008 1.6



£8,995
silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 21,000 miles only

2008 (08) Peugeot 308 1.4



£4,395
silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, 53,000 miles

2006 (56) Vauxhall Astra Twintop 1.6



£4,695
blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, electric hard top, CD player, 64,000 miles

EXECUTIVE

2003 (52) Bentley Arnage 6.7 Twin Turbo, dark metallic green, light cream quilted leather, phone, sat nav, split rim wheels, 42,000 miles only, history, superb looking car, bargain, cost new £180,000
Was £39,995 Now £28,000

2011 (61) BMW 730 Diesel Auto, black, alloy wheels, climate control, cruise control, heated electric leather seats, Sat Nav, Parking sensors, one owner, remote locking, keyless start, 16,000 miles only, stunning
Was £31,995 Now £25,995

2009 (59) Mercedes E350 CDI Coupe, black, alloy wheels, climate control, parking sensors, heated electric leather seats, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, cruise control, 60,000 miles
Was £19,995 Now £17,995

2003 (03) Mercedes SL350 Auto, silver, alloy wheels, climate control, heated electric leather memory seats, cruise control, Sat Nav, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, electric hood hard top, 59,000 miles
Was £13,995 Now £11,995

SALOON & HATCHBACK

2011 (61) Peugeot 3008 1.6 HDi Auto, bronze, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, one owner, 8,000 miles only, YES 8,000 miles
Was £11,995 Now £10,495

2011 (61) Peugeot 3008 1.6, silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 21,000 miles only
Was £9,995 Now £8,995

2009 (09) Ford Mondeo Zetec TDCi 5dr, silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote central locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 47,000 miles
Was £7,495 Now £6,495

2011 (61) Vauxhall Corsa 1.3 CDTi, grey, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, one owner, 39,000 miles only
Was £7,495 Now £6,495

2008 (08) Mercedes A150, black, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, half leather seats, CD player, 59,000 miles
Was £6,995 Now £5,995

2011 (61) Renault Clio Expression 16v 5dr, black, air con, remote central locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 48,000 miles
Was £6,495 Now £5,495

2005 (05) Jaguar X-Type 2.0 Auto, blue, alloy wheels, air con, leather electric seats, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, 58,000 miles
Was £5,495 Now £4,495

2008 (08) Peugeot 308 1.4, silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, 53,000 miles
Was £4,995 Now £4,395

2006 (06) Hyundai Coupe 2.0, silver, alloy wheels, air con, leather seats, cruise control, e/sunroof, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 33,000 miles only
SOLD Was £4,995 Now £3,995

2007 (57) Renault Megane 1.6, blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, cruise control, CD player, 57,000 miles
Was £4,495 Now £3,495

FAMILY CARS

2009 (09) Mitsubishi L200 Double Cab 2.5, grey, alloy wheels, central locking, CD player, 56,000 miles, NO VAT
SOLD Was £10,495 Now £8,995

2007 (57) Nissan Qashqai 2.0, beige, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, 42,000 miles only
Was £8,995 Now £7,995

2011 (61) Vauxhall Meriva 1.4, silver, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, cruise control, CD player, 17,000 miles only
Was £7,995 Now £6,995

2011 (11) Renault Modus 1.6 Automatic, beige/silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, half leather seats, cruise control, e/windows, e/mirrors, one owner, 18,000 miles only
Was £7,995 Now £6,995

2007 (57) Citroen C4 Picasso 1.6 Diesel, mauve, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 7 seater, 40,000 miles only, one owner
Was £7,995 Now £6,995

2011 (11) Renault Clio Estate 1.6, blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, half leather seats, Sat Nav, parking sensors, 16,000 miles only, one owner
Was £7,995 Now £6,495

2011 (61) Vauxhall Meriva 1.4, beige, air con, remote locking, cruise control, e/windows, e/mirrors, parking sensors, one owner, 33,000 miles only
SOLD Was £7,495 Now £6,495

2008 (58) Ford C-Max 1.6, blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, 49,000 miles
Was £7,495 Now £6,495

2011 (60) Vauxhall Meriva 1.4, blue, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, cruise control, CD player, 28,000 miles only
Was £7,495 Now £6,495

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2007 (07) Renault Scenic 1.5 DCi, beige, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, e/windows, e/mirrors, 73,000 miles
Was £4,995 Now £4,395

2006 (56) Renault Scenic 1.6, grey, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 50,000 miles only
Was £4,495 Now £3,695

AUTOMATICS

2011 (61) Peugeot 3008 1.6 HDi Auto, bronze, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, one owner, 8,000 miles only, YES 8,000 miles
Was £11,995 Now £10,495

2011 (11) Renault Modus 1.6 Automatic, beige/silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, half leather seats, cruise control, e/windows, e/mirrors, one owner, 18,000 miles only
Was £7,995 Now £6,995

2011 (11) Renault Clio Estate 1.6, blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, half leather seats, Sat Nav, parking sensors, 16,000 miles only, one owner
Was £7,995 Now £6,495

SMALL CARS

2010 (60) Mini One Diesel 1.6, yellow, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 40,000 miles £0 road tax
Was £8,995 Now £7,995

2009 (09) Ford Fiesta 1.6 Ghia (new shape), purple, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, cruise control, e/windows, e/mirrors, one lady owner, 34,000 miles only
SOLD Was £7,995 Now £6,495

2011 (61) Vauxhall Corsa 1.3 CDTi, grey, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, one owner, 39,000 miles only
Was £7,495 Now £6,495

2011 (61) Nissan Micra 1.2 New Shape, grey, remote locking, e/windows, CD player, ideal first car, cheaper tax & insurance, 34,000 miles only
Was £6,995 Now £5,995

2011 (11) Fiat Punto 1.4 Evo, black, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, one owner, 39,000 miles only
Was £5,995 Now £4,995

2008 (08) Nissan Micra 1.2, blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, 40,000 miles only
Was £6,495 Now £4,995

2007 (57) Peugeot 207 1.4, blue, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, 45,000 miles only
Was £5,495 Now £4,295

2006 (06) Peugeot 107 1.0, red, remote locking, e/windows, CD player, 32,000 miles only, £20 a year road tax, ideal first car, cheap insurance
Was £4,995 Now £3,995

2007 (07) Fiat Panda 1.2, yellow, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 46,000 miles only, one owner
SOLD Was £4,495 Now £2,995

CONVERTIBLES

2003 (03) Mercedes SL350 Auto, silver, alloy wheels, climate control, heated electric leather memory seats, cruise control, Sat Nav, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, electric hood hard top, 59,000 miles
Was £13,995 Now £11,995

2009 (09) Ford Focus CC 2.0, bronze, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, electric hood, e/windows, e/mirrors, parking sensors, CD player, 42,000 miles only
Was £7,995 Now £6,495

2008 (08) Ford Focus 2.0 CC, red, alloy wheels, air con, electric power hood, remote locking, parking sensors, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 53,000 miles only
Was £6,495 Now £5,495

2008 (08) Peugeot 207 Sport Coupe Cabriolet, silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote central locking, power hood, heated seats, e/windows, e/mirrors, 62,000 miles
Was £5,995 Now £4,995

2006 (56) Vauxhall Astra Twintop 1.6, blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, electric hard top, CD player, 64,000 miles
Was £5,495 Now £4,695

2006 (56) Renault Megane Convertible 1.6, silver, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, electric hood, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 53,000 miles only
Was £4,995 Now £3,995

PART EXCHANGE

2005 (05) Nissan Micra 1.2, blue, remote locking, e/windows, CD player, 73k
£1,950

2011 (61) Renault Clio Expression 16v 5dr



£5,495
black, air con, remote central locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, 48,000 miles

2011 (11) Renault Clio Estate 1.6



£6,495
blue, alloy wheels, air con, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, half leather seats, Sat Nav, parking sensors, 16,000 miles only, one owner

2011 (11) Fiat Punto 1.4 Evo



£4,995
black, remote locking, e/windows, e/mirrors, CD player, one owner, 39,000 miles only

2011 (61) Vauxhall Meriva 1.4

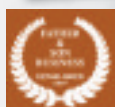


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CARS FROM £10 PER WEEK

(07) Citroen C1 1.0 Vibe, in black, one owner, low mileage, FSH, very economical, only £20 RFL, fitted with many factory extras, great value	£3495 or £15pw
(08) Fiat Punto Dynamic 5DR, in silver, one owner, low mileage, FSH, immaculate condition through-out, with many factory fitted extras	£3495 or £15pw
(53) Citroen Berlingo Multispace Desire Estate, in blue, one owner, FSH, 40,000 miles, many extras, wheelchair ramp & lowered floor, superb condition	£3495 or £15pw
(07) Peugeot 207 1.4 S 5DR, in blue, one owner, superb condition, fitted with many factory extras, air con, CD, full electric pack and more	£3495 or £15pw
(55) Mazda 3 1.6 Sakata 5DR, in blue, one owner, low mileage, FSH, immaculate condition, alloys, air con, full electric pack and much more	£3495 or £15pw
(08) Renault Grand Scenic 1.6 Dynamique 7 Seater, in black, low mileage, FSH, air con, alloys, cruise/traction control and much more, superb	£3695 or £16pw
(53) Honda Civic SE, in silver, one previous keeper, service history, only 18,000 miles, superb condition, with many factory fitted extras, value	£3695 or £16pw
(07) Saab 9-3 Vector Sport Estate, immaculate through-out, with many extras including sat nav, climate/cruise control, half leather and much more	£3695 or £16pw
(07) Ford Focus 1.6 Zetec Climate Auto 5DR, in blue, superb condition, fitted with many factory extras including alloys, air con and more	£3995 or £17pw
(07) Seat Altea 1.6 Styleance 5DR, in black, immaculate condition, FSH, air con, CD player, full electric pack and more, great value at only	£3995 or £17pw

CARS FROM £20 PER WEEK

(55) Volkswagen Beetle Luna Convertible, in silver, FSH, 47,000 miles from new, superb condition, air con, alloys, iPod connection, power hood	£4995 or £20pw
(09) Toyota Aygo 1.0 Blue Auto 5DR, in met blue, one owner, only 20,000 miles, main dealer FSH, very economical, just £20 RFL, great value at	£4995 or £20pw
(52) Lexus RX 300 SE 4x4 Auto, in met grey, one previous keeper, main dealer FSH, full leather heated seats, alloys, climate/cruise control and more	£4995 or £20pw
(56) Volkswagen Passat SE TDI Diesel Auto, in blue, one owner, superb condition, alloys, air con, cruise/traction control, full electric pack and more	£4995 or £20pw
(61) Kia Picanto 1.0 5DR choice of 4 in black or silver, all low mileage, remainder of manufactures warranty, air con, alloys and more, RFL exempt, value from	£4,995
(08) Honda Jazz DSI SE 5DR, in grey, low mileage, FSH, superb condition, air con, alloys, abs, CD player, central locking, full electric pack and more, value	£5295 or £22pw
(07) Suzuki Jimmy J.LX, in saturn, one owner, low mileage, FSH, immaculate condition through-out, with many factory fitted extras, value at	£5295 or £22pw
(59) Nissan Micra Acenta Auto 5DR, in black, one owner, low mileage, main dealer FSH, fitted with many factory extras, superb condition, value at	£5295 or £22pw
(54) BMW 530d SE Diesel Auto, in silver, superb condition, FSH, fitted with full leather, sat nav, parking sensors, climate/cruise control and more	£5495 or £23pw
(60) Vauxhall Corsa SXI 5DR, in met blue, one owner, low mileage, FSH, alloys, air con, full electric pack, CD, MP3 and much more, stunning value	£5495 or £23pw
(59) Vauxhall Astra 1.6 Design, in silver, one owner, low mileage, half leather, air con, traction/cruise control, full electric pack and more, value	£5495 or £23pw
(61) Renault Clio Expression Auto 5DR, in met grey, one owner, 19,000 miles, FSH from new, MP3, air con, abs, full electric pack, exceptional condition	£5695 or £24pw
(10) Mazda 2 Sport 1.5 3DR, in silver, low mileage, one previous owner, FSH, cruise/climate control, alloys, full electric pack and more, low RFL	£5695 or £24pw
(07) Mini One, in blue, low mileage, FSH, alloys, air con, CD player, push button start, full electric pack and much more, superb condition	£5695 or £24pw
(08) Vauxhall Astra Sri CDTI Diesel, in silver, one previous keeper, superb condition, with alloys, air con, CD player, full electric pack and more	£5695 or £24pw
(07) Volkswagen Golf Plus SE TDI Diesel, in blue, one owner, immaculate condition through-out, air con, abs, traction control, CD and more, value	£5695 or £24pw
(08) Toyota Auris TR 5DR, in black, only 19,000 miles, main dealer FSH, fitted with alloys, climate control, CD, full electric pack and more, superb	£5695 or £24pw
(08) Renault Megane Dynamique DCI Diesel Convertible, in silver, one owner, FSH, only 29,000 miles, alloys, air con, pan sunroof and much more	£5995 or £25pw
(61) Renault Grand Modus Dynamique Auto 5DR, in black, low mileage, FSH, half leather, air con, auto lights, abs, full electric pack and more	£5995 or £25pw
(61) Renault Wind 1.6 Dynamique Convertible, in saturn, one owner, 20,000 miles, main dealer FSH, alloys, air con, half leather and more, superb	£5995 or £25pw

CARS FROM £30 PER WEEK

(61) Peugeot Partner Tepee Outdoor HDI Diesel MPV, in grey, low mileage, FSH, fitted with many factory extras, immaculate condition throughout	£7495 or £30pw
(60) Saab 9-3 Aero 1.9 Diesel, one owner, service history, full leather, heated seats, climate control, alloys, parking sensors, full electric pack and more	£7495 or £30pw
(61) Chevrolet Orlando LT 7 Seater Auto 5DR, in black, one owner, 20,000 miles, FSH, air con, alloys, full electric pack and more, immaculate condition	£7695 or £33pw
(13) Skoda Fabia S TSI Auto 5DR, in met blue, one owner, FSH, 14,000 miles, with many factory extras including air con, alloys, electric pack and more	£7995 or £34pw
(06) Lexus IS 250 SE-L Auto, in silver, one previous keeper, FSH, only 27,000 miles, full leather heated seats, cruise/climate control, alloys and more	£8695 or £36pw
(07) BMW 320d SE Diesel Auto, in met jade, one previous keeper, low mileage, superb condition, fitted with a vast array of factory extras, value at	£8695 or £37pw
(13) Vauxhall Corsa Limited Edition, choice of 2 white or red, one owner, FSH, 10,000 miles, high spec, black alloys, pan roof, air con, climate	£8695 or £36pw
(61) Peugeot 3008 Active HDI Diesel 5DR, in black, low mileage, FSH, immaculate condition, alloys, air con, CD, full electric pack and much more	£8695 or £36pw
(61) Peugeot 3008 Sport E-HDI Diesel Auto 5DR, in grey, one owner, main dealer FSH, alloys, climate/cruise control, parking sensors and much more	£8695 or £36pw
(56) Volvo XC70 D5 SE Diesel Auto Estate, in mauve, one owner, main dealer FSH, low mileage, full leather, alloys, air con, cruise, abs and more	£8695 or £37pw
(61) Mini One Convertible, in white, one owner, main dealer FSH, fitted with a vast array of factory extras, immaculate condition through-out, superb	£8995 or £38pw
(60) Honda Civic Type S GT, in silver, one owner, FSH, only 20,000 miles, immaculate condition through-out, with many factory fitted extras, superb	£8995 or £38pw
(60) Volkswagen Jetta SE TDI Diesel Auto, in met blue, one owner, FSH, low mileage, low running costs, climate/cruise control, parking sensors and more	£8995 or £38pw
(63) Fiat 500 Lounge Dualogic Auto, in black, one owner, FSH, only 9000 miles, very economical, just £20 RFL, air con, Bluetooth, full electric pack	£9695 or £41pw

CARS FROM £10 PER WEEK

(08) Vauxhall Vectra Design CDTI Diesel 5DR, in black, one previous keeper, FSH, half leather, air con, alloys, 6 speed, full electric pack	£3995 or £17pw
(56) Toyota Yaris 1.3 T-Spirit Auto, in silver, low mileage, FSH, immaculate condition through-out, fitted with many factory extras, value	£4495 or £18pw
(07) Nissan Note SE DCI Diesel, in blue, one owner, main dealer FSH, immaculate through-out, air con, full electric pack, auto lights, CD and more	£4495 or £18pw
(11) Mitsubishi Colt, in black, one owner, FSH, only 25,000 miles, very economical, fitted with a vast array of factory extras, immaculate condition	£4495 or £18pw
(08) Toyota Auris 1.6 T-Spirit 5DR, in blue, one owner, FSH, with extras including alloys, air con, cruise/traction control, full electric pack and more	£4695 or £19pw
(10) Nissan Micra Visia 5DR, in black, low mileage, FSH, immaculate condition through-out, fitted with a vast array of factory extras, great value at	£4695 or £19pw
(59) Citroen C3 VTR 5DR, in silver, one owner, low mileage, FSH, fitted with alloys, air con, abs, full electric pack and much more, immaculate	£4695 or £19pw
(07) Honda Jazz DSI Sport 5DR, in silver, low mileage, FSH, air con, CD player, full electric pack and more, superb condition throughout	£4695 or £19pw
(57) Ford Focus Zetec Climate 5DR, in silver, one owner, FSH, superb condition, alloys, air con, abs, full electric pack and much more, value	£4695 or £19pw

CARS FROM £20 PER WEEK

(08) Seat Leon Reference Sport 5DR, in saturn, one owner, immaculate condition through-out, fitted with a vast array of factory extras, great value at	£5995 or £25pw
(61) Nissan Note Tekna DCI Diesel 5DR, in silver, one owner, low mileage, FSH, only £20 RFL, sat nav, Bluetooth, half leather privacy glass and more	£5995 or £25pw
(55) BMW 1 Series 5DR, in silver, one owner, low mileage, fitted with alloys, air con, push button start, full electric pack and more, stunning condition	£5995 or £25pw
(59) Volkswagen Polo Match TDI Diesel 5DR, in silver, one previous keeper, main dealer FSH, with many factory extras, immaculate throughout	£5995 or £25pw
(61) Vauxhall Corsa Excite CDTI Diesel 5DR, in silver, one owner, main dealer FSH, alloys, air con, CD, full electric pack and much more, great value	£5995 or £25pw
(61) Chevrolet Cruze LT Auto 5DR, in black, one owner, low mileage, main dealer FSH, alloys, climate/cruise control, parking sensors and more	£5995 or £25pw
(12) Vauxhall Astra Sportive CDTI Diesel 125 Van, in silver, one previous keeper, FSH, immaculate condition, Bluetooth, 6 speed and more, value	£5995 + VAT
(10) Peugeot 207 SW Sport Auto Estate, in grey, one previous keeper, low mileage, main dealer FSH, pan roof, climate control, alloys and more	£5995 or £25pw
(60) Kia Venga 2 5DR, in silver, low mileage, low insurance, main dealer FSH, remainder on manufactures warranty, with many factory extras, value at	£5995 or £25pw
(58) Citroen C4 Picasso VTR Plus Diesel Auto 5DR, finished in silver, FSH, alloys, air con, alarm, full electric pack, parking sensors and much more	£5995 or £25pw
(59) Vauxhall Meriva SE MPV, in blue, low mileage, FSH, with many factory extras including pan roof, air con, full electric pack and more immaculate	£6495 or £26pw
(59) Vauxhall Astra 1.6 Sri 5DR, in saturn, one owner, FSH, superb condition, with many extras including air con, alloys, full electric pack and more	£6495 or £26pw
(09) Honda Jazz i-VTEC Auto 5DR, in blue, immaculate, only 20,000 miles, service history, pan roof, climate/cruise control, full electric pack	£6495 or £26pw
(61) Citroen C3 Exclusive HDI Diesel 5DR, in silver, one owner, main dealer FSH, £20 RFL, alloys, climate/cruise control, full electric pack and more	£6495 or £26pw
(61) Kia Soul 2 CRD Diesel 5DR, in silver, one owner, low mileage, main dealer FSH, alloys, air con, full electric pack, abs, CD and more, value at	£6995 or £29pw
(10) Ford C-Max Zetec Diesel, in blue, one owner, low mileage, FSH, super condition, fitted with alloys, air con, abs, CD, full electric pack and more	£6995 or £29pw
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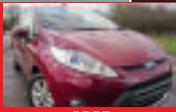
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You will need to have one of the following either (A) NVQ/QCF Level 3 in Health and Social Care or (B) NVQ Level 3 in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools. Applicants with only one of these qualifications will be required to undertake a second Level 3 award (from the list above) to achieve dual qualification during the first year in post.

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Closing Date: 12 February 2015 5pm

Interviews: 23 & 24 February 2015

St Elizabeth's Centre is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children and adults who use our services and expects all staff to share this commitment. All posts are subject to enhanced DBS clearance. We are an equal opportunities employer committed to diversity and we welcome applications from all parts of the community.

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Pear Tree Mead Academy
Harlow, Essex, CM18 7BY
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Pre-School Staff & Classroom Teaching Assistant Roles

Band 2/3 depending on experience
Required April 2015

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We are looking for the following staff:

A Pre-school Leader to run our Pre-school

Band 3 Point 21- 25 (£9,329.00-£10,464.00) depending on experience
20 hours per week

Term time only 8.30am - 12.30pm (Monday-Friday)

Educated to a minimum level 3 in Early Years and Childcare (or equivalent) is essential. Please note a Health & Social Care qualification is not considered equivalent.

Duties to include:

- lead the planning, monitoring and evaluation for the pre-school
- ensure the pre-school meets the requirement of the Early Years Foundation Stage and Ofsted registration and inspection criteria at all times
- set a visible leadership example to staff, children and their families, and the wider community
- motivate and lead a team of early years practitioners in the delivery of best possible practice to meet the needs of parents/carers, children and families
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- to lead a safe and acceptable standard of practice in accordance with the school principles, policies and procedures. This will include safeguarding and child protection procedures.

Pre-School Assistants x2

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Educated to a minimum Level 2 in Early Years and Childcare (or equivalent) is essential. Please note a Health & Social Care qualification is not considered equivalent.

Duties to include:

- to be responsible for the pre-school in the absence of the leader
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- to effectively deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and ensure the Ofsted standards are fully met
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- to act as a key person for a number of children and ensure that they are cared for to the highest possible standard with regard to their individual needs.

There is the possibility that more hours may become available in the future.

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25 hours per week, Term time only. 8.55am- 3.10pm
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You will require the following:

- good standard of education
- level 2 in Early Years and Childcare
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You are welcome and positively encouraged to visit the school.

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We are also looking for children to join our Pre-School, who are eligible for the free 2 year old places.

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Closing Date: 10th February 2015, Midnight

Interview Date: TBC

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The Learning Partnership Trust
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Headteacher

Roseacres Primary School

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Closing Date: 13th February 2015, Midday
Interview Date: 24th February 2015

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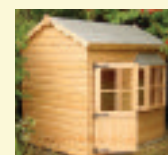
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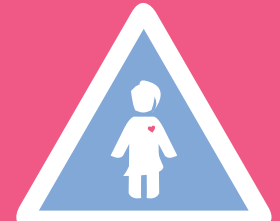
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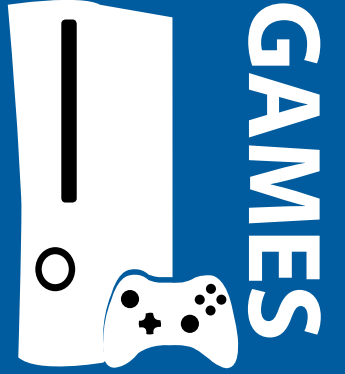
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The Designation shall come into force on 15th April 2015 and shall cease to have effect on 14th April 2020. Under Section 58 of the Act, this designation falls within a description of designations for which the Secretary of State has issued general approval dated 30 March 2010. This means that following a minimum of 10 weeks consultation with persons who are likely to be affected, every local housing authority in England has the Secretary of State's general approval to designate an area as subject to Additional Licensing.

This designation shall apply to all Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO's) as defined by Section 254 of the Act which includes flats in multiple occupation in purpose built blocks or converted buildings that are not required to be licensed as a whole.

The proposed scheme includes all Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO's) in the designated area that are not already subject to Mandatory Licensing (or exempted by the relevant sections of the Housing Act 2004), with the exception of premises which comply with an approved Codes of Practice.

Further, with regard to HMO's that meet the definition contained in section 257 of the same Act, this Designation shall not apply except in the case of those that are mainly or wholly tenanted, including those with resident landlords, or where a significant proportion of owner occupied flats have been let by the owners.

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Application No	HWTP/15/10003	Ward:	Mark Hall
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Location	46 The Lawn, Harlow, CM20 2JX		
Proposal	Yew: Crown reduce by 2m to alleviate damp within the flats.		
Reason for Advert	Tree Works within a Conservation Area		
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In brief

Harlow dent
Walden charge

HOCKEY: Harlow dented Saffron Walden fifths' promotion hopes with a point in a thrilling 3-3 draw at Leventhorpe School on Saturday.

The result left Harlow eighth in the 12-team Division Six South East of the East Men's Hockey League.

The first half was evenly contested, and saw Harlow go 2-1 up before the half-time whistle thanks to goals from Andrew Boughtwood and Adam Ottley.

The second half carried on with the same momentum from the first, but saw the away side take the lead after scoring two goals following some good play.

Harlow didn't stay behind for too long as Boughtwood netted his second of the game with a penalty corner.

Both sides pushed on for a winner.

And the away team would have managed this were it not for some last-ditch defending and some excellent saves from goalie Castillo.

Harlow came close themselves in the last 10 minutes after they were awarded a penalty flick, but failed to take advantage as the flick was easily saved by the Walden keeper.

HARLOW: Castillo, Krzoska, Cox, Gorrington, Mace, Johnson, R. Boughtwood, Hagger, Munro, A Boughtwood, Ottley. Sub: Light.

Unbeaten run
of Foxes falls

DARTS: The first matches in the second half of the Harlow Premier Darts League season saw Tye Green Foxes lose their unbeaten record with a 6-2 loss at home to current champions White Admiral.

Luke Arber and Andy Booth notched 180s for the Admiral.

Meanwhile, Sawbridgeworth Brewery beat Paringdon Social 5-3. Jason Phillips (Sawbo) struck his eighth 180 for the season.

He now has five 180s in front of his nearest challengers, Paul Squirrel (Colt Hatch) and Luke Arber (White Admiral).

Frankie Byrne hit a 180 for Paringdon Social.

Other results: Green Link 2, Moot House 6; Golden Swift 1, Tye Green Pirates 7; Paringdon Lions 3, Colt Hatch Social 5 (Paul Squirrel 180).

Football results

ESSEX PREMIER CUP: Maiden 4 (Anthony James, Carl Smith, Mark Watters, Sam Crichton), Essex Royals 0.

ESSEX JUNIOR CUP: Parsloe 4 (Gavin Cockman, Adam Dangerfield, Jamie Baker, Dean Perrett), Wickford Wanderers 3.

HARLOW & DISTRICT LEAGUE, PREM DIV: FC Clark 1 (Ben Crichton), FC Cincuenta 4 (Ricky Cook, Ross Oakley, James Thomas, Harrison Tivedell).

DIV ONE, FC Flare 1 (Terry Samuels), Old Town Res 1 (Ash Conlan); Harberts 2, Galatics 7 (Liam Fitch 3, Iain Ward 2, Christian Browne 2); Harlow Mapletivo 1, Seen FC 1 (Claran Sears).

DIV TWO CUP, SEMI-FINAL: Risden Wood Res 0, Ashfield Albion 3 (Martin Watters 3).

DIV TWO: Parndon Royals 2, Harberts Res 3.

DIV THREE CUP, SEMI-FINAL: Maypole Sports 3 (Matt Somersby, Bogdan Stanica, OG), Coppice Row 2; Newtown Rngs 5 (Tony Barnett, Mark Bellworthy, Ryan Parker, Tony Williams, James Ashman), Frontiers Res 3 (Tom Godfrey 2, George Neale) (AET).

DIV THREE: Broadley Common 5 (James Eggleton 2, Dan Wallis 2, Lewis Kember), Harberts (A) 1; Joga Bonito 4 (Ollie Durham, Dan Little, Matt Little, Stacey Robson), A&A 4.

LEAGUE CUP: Grove & Hove 0, Risden Wood (A) 2 (Paul Hitchen, Jamie Stock).

DIV FOUR: Langley 5 (Joe Flintham, Carl Gregory, Sean McAulay, Lee New, Lewis Walters), Barretts Rangers 0; Rileys Rangers 2 (Rowan Dixon, Chay Homan), Newtown Rngs Res 1.

Football

Double leg break blow
rules out Holloway

Match held up for 50 minutes as Hawks are beaten

Alan Scott

reports from Ship Lane

Ryman North
Thurrock 2
Harlow Town 1

PLAYERS and Hawks boss Danny Chapman paid tribute to

Sam Holloway after his shocking double leg fracture in the 2-1 loss at Thurrock.

Holloway underwent surgery at the weekend and was discharged from Basildon Hospital on Tuesday.

Chapman was quick to absolve blame from Thurrock player James Goode who accidentally swept away Holloway's trailing leg, causing the double break in the 41st minute.

The game was held up for nearly an hour before the player was taken by ambulance to Basildon Hospital.

Team-mate Junior Appiah tweeted on Sunday: "Disappointed we didn't get the points for Sam last night but we're glad to hear the op went well and wish him a speedy recovery."

Club secretary Ray Dyer said on Monday: "It [the operation] went well, he has had a metal bar put in between his knee and ankle with bolts at both ends. Will be out of hospital on Wednesday."

Freak tackle

Hawks boss Danny Chapman said: "It was one of those tackles.

The fellow from Thurrock caught his trailing leg. I don't think there was any malice in it. It was one of those freak tackles."

Chapman named new central defensive signing Marc Gordell in the starting XI.

Gordell joined from Ryman North rivals Burnham Ramblers earlier in the week and impressed on his debut.

Holloway, playing against one of his old clubs, was moved to midfield in a fateful switch.



SAD DAY: Sam Holloway (far right) in action the week before his horrific injury

Photo by Keith Heppell

After dominating the opening 15 minutes without creating any chances, the Hawks took the lead through Leon Antoine.

Alex Read teed up Antoine on the edge of the six-yard box, and the big man used his strength to power home.

After Hawks skipper and keeper Ed Thompson brilliantly saved Joe Christou's effort, Read missed what would prove to be a crucial chance.

Read only had keeper Andy

Walker from eight yards but shot straight at the keeper.

Harlow rued this when Thurrock equalised on 38 minutes. Robbie Farrell fired in a rebound after Thompson punched away Christou's curling strike.

After the long delay, the game resumed, with James Smith coming on for Holloway, making his first appearance after three weeks out injured.

On the stroke of half-time, Thurrock took the lead when Far-

rell scored his second. A deep right-wing cross to the far post saw some statuesque defending, which allowed the Fleet marksman to flick in from barely a yard out at the far post.

Smith was outstanding in the second half, and how Harlow have missed his surging runs.

Shane Stamp fluffed an easy chance, while Walker made an outstanding double save from Read and then Jared Small on 75 minutes as Harlow pushed on in

vain in search of an equaliser.

Chapman added: "I just felt we gave away poor goals. I don't think we played badly."

"Sam's last words before he went in the ambulance were 'make sure you win the game'. We felt more upset we did not win it for him."

HARLOW TN: Thompson, Glasgow, Eadie, Urquhart, Gorbell, Simms, Small, Holloway (Smith 41), Read, Antoine (Dadson 58), Stamp (Appiah 77).

Siblings move up English ranks

BATTS siblings Casey and Alana Mansfield are rapidly moving up the English table tennis rankings in their respective age groups.

Burnt Mill Academy student Casey is now 63rd in the U13 boys, while Freshwaters pupil Alana is ranked No.57 for U13 girls, despite only being ten.

By next season both are hoping to be in the top 25 in the country.

The Harlow duo (pictured right) will compete in the finals of the 2015 English Butterfly Schools' Individual Table Tennis Championships.

They will join more than 300 players representing 50 counties at the Tipton Table Tennis Centre, Tipton, West Midlands on Saturday April 25.



The competition will see table tennis players, boys and girls, compete at U11, U13, U16 and U19 levels.

All primary and secondary school pupils are eligible to enter players in the county rounds in

order to qualify for these finals.

This is the largest one-day junior event in the table tennis calendar in England.

Both siblings qualified for the national finals last year at The Dome, Doncaster.

Casey and Alana are part of the Talent Development Squad at Old Harlow-based BATTS, one of the top table tennis clubs in the country, where they train minimum 10 hours a week.

Since 2012 Casey and Alana have taken part in many tournaments and have a collection of medals and trophies.

"Both their schools, Neil Brierley at BATTS table tennis and their parents are extremely proud of their success," said their mother Lynne Mansfield.

Memorial game held

THE Young Rams went to Upper Clapton on Sunday to play in a memorial match for Stacey Teather who passed away 12 months ago.

The match ended in a 17-7 victory for the Thornwood Common team.

Ral Onyema got the Harlow try, which Alfie Clark converted. Harlow's U12 team secured an impressive 35-20 home victory against Chingford.

Harlow started well with Sidney Ward and Michael Donovan scoring early tries.

Chingford fought back with two tries but then Harlow turned the pressure on and further tries by Olly Marshall, followed by a second for Ward and two more for Donovan sealed a convincing win.

There were a series of minis (U7) matches played last weekend.

Harlow A defeated Chingford B 6-2 with Jack Rowlandson grabbing all six tries.

Harlow B lost 6-5 to Chingford A. Tommy Barrett and Will Forde were among the Rams' try scorers.

Harlow A then lost 4-2 against Chingford A.

Jack Rowlandson bagged both of Harlow's tries.

Harlow B drew 5-5 with Chingford B. Rams' scorers included Tommy Barrett, Connie Peachey and Will Forde.

Rams' U9s played a series of matches against old adversaries Wanstead.

Harlow lost 8-7 in the first game, but won the next game 6-5.

Speedway



NEW SIGNING: Robin Aspegren (right) pictured in action when he was last at Rye House in Berwick colours. Photo by Ian Bush

Rockets rely on Robin to ignite 2015 season

Swede drafted in to replace Nelson after visa issues

by Andrew Franczak

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HAVING finished bottom of the Premier League table last season Rye House Rockets team manager John Sampford will be hoping for fewer trials and tribulations in the 2015 campaign.

However, with the tapes still a couple of months away from going up, the team has already hit problems.

Rockets were quick to enlist the services of Swedish rider Robin Aspegren after Australian Tyson Nelson, who had been named in

the original starting line-up, was denied a work visa.

Tyson, who has previously sat out the 2012 and 2014 British seasons with visa issues, recently impressed with a seventh place finish in the Australian National Championship series.

He is still an exciting prospect at just 21, but it now remains to be seen when he will have the opportunity to display his no-fear riding style in this country again.

"Len [Silver, the Rockets promoter] got an email from Tyson's grandfather saying the visa had been denied again," said Sampford. "It was pointless

appealing and we knew we had to find another rider straight away.

"Aspegren's an experienced rider and he should prove a good acquisition."

The 25-year-old was last in Great Britain as a Berwick Bandit, and has also seen action with Newport and Elite League Swindon.

He will come in on an average of 6.39, which is actually higher than Nelson's 6.16, but still brings the team in below the 42.50 limit – but only just, at 42.49.

The re-declared line-up has received approval from the BSPA and is the closest the Rockets have

ever been to the 42.50 points limit, the whole seven adding up to 42.49.

Adjust

"We're hoping our new signings can hit the ground running," added Sampford. "It will take a little while for them to adjust because the tracks here are different to those abroad, and also get used to the idiosyncrasies of the Rye House circuit."

Rockets promoter Len Silver said: "I am very excited by the inclusion of Robin Aspegren in our side.

"Both Ty and myself were com-

pletely devastated when we got the news of another refused visa.

"As soon as I had got over the shock of the news, work started on finding a replacement and when I discovered Robin was available I did not hesitate to contact him."

Looking ahead to their opening fixture against Ipswich Witches in the League Cup on March 21, Sampford said: "The Witches always put together a strong side – much the same as all the teams in the Premier League.

"I believe this is the strongest of the three leagues [Elite, Premier and National] and the most competitive."

A whirlwind start for Rye House riders

RYE House Rockets will face a rapid test of their credentials for the 2015 speedway season as they go straight into League Cup action against Ipswich Witches in Hoddesdon on March 21.

That opening night fixture is quickly followed by three more matches in the same competition, with the Rockets facing the Witches again – this time at Foxhall Heath – the following Thursday March 26 and remaining on the road for a trip to Peterborough the following night.

The East of England Showground holds positive memories for Rockets fans as the location of their sole away victory in 2014 in an otherwise forgettable season as they finished bottom of the Premier League.

Then on Saturday March 28 they host Somerset, who missed out on last season's Premier League championship in a 96-95 play-off heartbreaker against Edinburgh.

April, meanwhile, will include home clashes against Peterborough (Easter Monday) and Plymouth to round off the Rockets' League Cup group matches, plus the first league matches of the year, against Sheffield (home, April 18), the Panthers (away, April 26) and Redcar (away, April 30).

May brings up the Knockout Cup and a first round tie against Workington, with the month also highlighted by league visits from Somerset and Berwick.

Rockets fans will have to wait patiently until Saturday August 8 to see defending Premier League, Knockout Cup and League Cup winners Edinburgh in town, with the Rockets having already reciprocated with a trip to Armadale as part of a main northern tour that also takes in Berwick and Newcastle on consecutive nights in July.

Rye House will once again stage the National League Riders' Championship, which will return to its traditional Saturday night slot on September 26.

The Hoddesdon circuit will also play host to a round of the British Youth Championship, which will take place on Sunday July 26 (2pm start).

All Saturday home fixtures start at 7pm, with Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday meetings scheduled to commence at 2pm.

D-Day looms

A CRUNCH promotion decider awaits Harlow Ladies seconds next weekend, who are back to the top of the Essex Hockey League Division Four table after a cracking 5-0 win at seventh-placed Havering fourths.

Harlow will host second-placed Chelmsford fifths on Saturday.

Captain Sarah Donaghey, Tamami Ninomiya, Tracy Taylor, Taniska Naidoo and player of the match Lara Horrax completed the rout at Havering.

In the Premier Division, Harlow lost 1-0 at home to Havering.

Fixtures

SATURDAY JANUARY 31

Football

RYMAN NORTH: Harlow Town v Heybridge Swifts.

Rugby

RFU LONDON & SE, DIV THREE NORTH EAST: Old Brentwoods v Harlow.

Gardiner digs out veteran victory with top race time

Running

JULIA GARDINER recorded a magnificent victory in the 35+ age group when Harlow Running Club competed in the penultimate East Herts and West Essex Cross Country League series race.

Held over a muddy 4.5 mile course at Saffron Walden, Gardiner finished in an excellent third place out of 75 women.

She was followed home by Sharon Wright (15th), Vicky Steadman (20th), Janice Page (28th), Debbie Barry (38th), Karen Moir (41st), Holly Nairn (42nd), Michelle Aitken (46th), Louise Kedde (50th), Debbie Smith (51st) and Jane Evans

(52nd).

In the men's race, Rob Lowe finished in a superb seventh place out of 114 finishers and was first veteran 40.

He was followed by Jamie Jephcott (18th), Peter Brewin (19th), Darren Coates (45th), Andy Terrell (47th), Adrian Fell (54th), John Bull (60th), Brendon Maclean (62nd), Pasquale Pellicchia (65th and 1st Vet 60), Andy Ramage (67th), Sean Flynn (69th), John Tennant (70th and 2nd Vet 60), Alan Cootes (74th and 3rd Vet 60), Graham Saville (79th), Martin McColgan (84th), Richard Smith (89th), Robin Lozeau (96th) and Ron Newton (104th).

Ware Joggers won the women's race, with Hoddesdon

Tri Club second, Bishop's Stortford RC third, Harlow RC fourth and Saffron Walden Striders fifth.

The men's team winners were Hoddesdon Tri with Ware Joggers second, Bishop's Stortford RC third, Saffron Walden Striders fourth and Harlow fifth.

Ware won overall, with Hoddesdon second and Stortford third. Harlow were joint last.

After three races Ware lead the league with 15 points followed by Stortford on 11, Hoddesdon on nine, Harlow and the Striders on five points.

Meanwhile, Andy Kinney completed another double marathon weekend, finishing the Viking Coastal Winter Marathon

over two days.

Run partly on a sea defence wall at Birchington near Margate in Kent, Kinney finished the first day in 80th place out of 104 finishers in 5hr 5min 7sec and the second day in 66th place out of 95 in 5hr 4min 48sec.

At the Gunpowder parkrun 5K at Waltham Abbey, 70-year-old Jim Bates once again ran a personal best (PB) time for the distance and improved the HRC Vet 70 record.

He was 33rd out of 107 finishers and was first veteran 70 in a fantastic 24:10.

John Bull was first Harlow finisher in 19th place in 22:15, followed by Robin Lozeau (26th in 23:39), Graham Saville 27th in

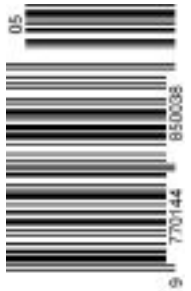
23:46, Alan Wellbelove 70th in 27:56 (PB) and Richard Smith 91st in 32:00.

At the Harlow parkrun 5K, Frank Pardoe was 14th out of 134 in 22:52. He was followed home by Paul Dixon (24th in 24:44), Michelle Aitken (49th in 28:11) and Pushpa Mistry (77th in 31:51).

At the Great Notley parkrun 5K at Braintree, Jamie Jephcott was third out of 86 finishers in 19:41.

At the Bedfont Lakes Parkrun 5K near Ashford, Middlesex, Richard Solomons was 14th out of 149 finishers and first veteran 60 in 22:21.

At the Panshanger parkrun 5K at Hertford, Sean Flynn was 55th out of 240 finishers in 23:58.



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BOSS' CENTRAL RESERVATIONS

Injury compounds shortage of centre-halves

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HAWKS boss Danny Chapman is set to step up his hunt for a central defender following the horrific injury to Sam Holloway at the weekend.

Holloway was discharged from hospital on Tuesday after his double break in the defeat at Thurrock, following an operation to have a rod inserted in his right leg.

The Harlow Town manager (pictured right) was already low on centre-halves, even before Holloway's injury.

He had moved Holloway into central midfield for this game, but says he has options there even though a knee medial ligament injury is set to keep out John Glowacki until March.

Good spirits

"Me, Ryan [Jessey] and Spencer [Knight] went to see Sam on Monday. He was in good spirits, we expected him to be a little bit low.

"We knew he could play as a defensive midfielder. We are not too bad off in [midfield]. But we will be short at centre-half."

With Needham Market losing 3-1 at Dereham on Tuesday, Hawks remain three points clear at the top although the Suffolk team have two games in hand.

Chapman says there will be plenty more twists and turns until the end of the season, as he gets his Hawks ready for Saturday's home match against bogey side

Heybridge Swifts.

"We have got 14 games left, eight are at home and six are away. Needham have 16 games left, six are at home and ten are away," said Chapman.

"There's a lot more twists to come. Needham are away to Tilbury [on Tuesday] and that's a banana skin of a game.

"All we can do is win our games."

Midfielders Dave Cowley and Billy Jones return for Saturday's match after serving three-match bans. Striker Leon Antoine is set to face his old club.

James Smith, who was exceptional after coming off the bench against Thurrock, could start.

Chapman believes former Brighton & Hove Albion player Smith will be a crucial player once he gets fully match fit.

"He's the most gifted player in the division and the division above as well," beamed Chapman. "We need to get him back to the fitness levels he was at before [his injury]."

There have been plenty of changes at Heybridge with former Barnet and Bishop's Stortford striker Cliff Akurang taking over as boss.

He has brought in several new players and sparked an upturn in their form.

Chapman said: "They are a completely different side now, but they are scrapping against relegation.

"They are not going to lay down. It will be a difficult game. We are unbeaten at home this season and we want to make sure that continues."



DETERMINED EFFORT: Albert Margai makes his way to the basket

Crusaders coming for a real crunch clash

LEOPARDS face a key game on Saturday evening as they host a Kent Crusaders side likely to contain Harlow's Josh Steel at the Leisurezone.

With the Big Cats going down 82-73 at Team Northumbria last Saturday, Crusaders now have the best percentage record in Division One.

Ahead of Saturday's game (tip-off 7.30pm), Leopards remain in second place with nine wins from 11 games.

Under former Leopards assistant coach Lloyd Gardner, the young Kent side have three former Big Cats – Bradley Wilkinson, Steel and Duane Orija – who helped the club win the treble in 2012, and the game will be vital to both team's title hopes.

Tickets for Saturday's game can be purchased on the night or through www.leopardsbasketball.co.uk.

The Big Cats came up just short in Newcastle on Saturday

in their second league loss of the season.

They were tied at 65 with five minutes remaining and only 72-70 down with 2:17 on the clock, but a couple of turnovers down the stretch proved costly for them.

"Poor first and third quarters put us in a difficult position," admitted assistant coach Roger Malpass who, alongside veteran guard Ronnie Baker, coached the team in the absence of the unavailable Robert Youngblood.

"Determined efforts from Albert [Margai], Dave [Ajumobi] and Courtney [van Beest], along with some excellent defence from Matic [Zupanc] in the second half, enabled us to get back into it."

Malpass added: "At 72-70 down, poor decisions and two turnovers were compounded by fouls on the resulting plays, which cost us."

Ajumobi led the way for the Big Cats with 27 points.



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